Minutes of May 7, 1962 Meeting of the 7th Board of Representatives Stamford, Connecticut

A regular meeting of the 7th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, May 7th, 1962 in the Cafeteria of the Dolan Junior High School, Toms Road, Stamford, Connecticut.

The mesting was called to order by the President, Paul D. Shapero, at 8:10 F.M.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Rocco D. A. Nadile of Sacred Heart Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 36 members present and 4 absent at the calling of the roll. Mr. Murphy arrived shortly thereafter, with Messrs. Vitti, Macri and Geronimo absent, resulting in a roll call of 37 present, 3 absent.

RESIGNATION:

BERNARD B. GERONIMO (Democrat) and 6th District Representative

THE PRESIDENT read a letter of resignation from Mr. Geronimo at this time in which he stated he is resigning because of employment with the City of Stamford.

ELECTION OF SUCCESSOR (Replacing above resignation)

MR. BLOIS, member of the Board from the 6th District, offered in nomination, JACK BAER (Democrat) 36 Seventh Street, in the 6th District, to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of Mr. Geronimo.

Mrs. Austin, Mr. Nolan and Mr. Sherman spoke in favor of the appointment and seconded the nomination. CARRIED unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

MICHAEL D. MACRI (Democrat) and 4th District Representative

THE PRESIDENT read a letter of resignation from Mr. Macri in which he stated he was resigning for the reason that he had recently moved out of the 4th District. (In conformance with amendment to Section 115 of the Charter approved at 11/8/60 referendum)

ELECTION OF SUCCESSOR (Replacing above resignation)

MR. ARRUZZA, member of the Board from the 4th District, offered in nomination the name of RICHARD J. O'NEILL (Democrat) 44 Clinton Avenue, in the 4th District, to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of Mr. Macri.

The nomination was seconded by Mr. Nolan, Mr. Longo and Mr. Mulreed.

MR. JOHNSON inquired if it was necessary to suspend the rules to act on this matter for the reason that it did not appear on the agenda.

MR. NOLAN, Parliamentarian, ruled that this was not necessary. The appointment of Mr. O'Neill was CARRIED by unanimous vote.

Mr. Baer and Mr. O'Neill, having been declared elected as members of the Board of Representatives from their respective Districts, were sworn into office by the President and assumed their seats on the Board.

CHANGE IN ROLL CALL:

THE PRESIDENT announced that the roll call was now 39 present and 1 absent. (Mr. Vitti being absent.)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 2, 1962:

The Minutes of the above meeting were accepted, there being no additions or corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

THE PRESIDENT read the following report:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT Meeting held Monday, April 23, 1962

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, April 23, 1962 in the Cafeteria of Dolan Jr. High School, immediately after a special meeting of the Board.

The Chairman, Paul D. Shapero, presided. All members were present, with the exception of Mr. Murphy, Mr. Baker and Mr. Geronimo.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

- (1) Additional appropriations previously approved by the Board of Finance on April 12, 1962 - REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE, with items of \$2,000 and over referred to a secondary committee.
- (2) Lease between City of Stamford and U. S. NAVY for property on Magee Avenue, from April 1, 1962 to June 30, 1962 (Mayor's letter 4/10/62) (Approved by Board of Finance 4/12/62) REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE
- (3) Mayor's letter of 4/23/62 concerning appointments to Electrical
 Examining Board, Plumbing Examining Board and Building Board of
 Appeals REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE
- (4) Proposed amendments to Building Code (Sec. 613 of Plumbing Code) concerning gas and water shut-offs during time of emergency (In letter of 4/2/62 from 16th District Representatives) REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE
- (5) APPEAL from decision of ZONING BOARD on Application No. 61-021, DOROTHY DOYLE, ET AL (Letter of 4/10/62 from Zoning Board -Excerpts from Minutes not yet received) REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
- (6) Concerning proposed amendment to Heating & Air Conditioning portion of Building Code (Letter dated 3/30/62 from Wm. Hickey, Jr. - See Minutes 3/5/62, item #2, page 3326) REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(7) NORTH-SOUTH ARTERY - Concerning authorization to accept offer by Federal Government for planning advance and financial assistance to create a North South Arterial Highway somewhere south of the Merritt Parkway to alleviate traffic bottleneck (See Minutes 2/5/62, item #4, pages 3308-3311 and Mayor's letter of 1/22/62)

For the reason that there was a slight discrepancy in the date of approval, this matter was again REFERRED TO THE LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE.

- (B) Letter from Mayor, dated 3/21/62 enclosing communication from Mrs. Elizabeth Horan re Horan Avenue REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
- (9) Petition dated 4/4/62 from James DeVito. President Veterans Day Celebration Committee, requesting permission to hold parade on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1962 and memorial services. REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
- (10) Petition from STAMFORD YACHT CLUB, dated 4/11/62, requesting permission for ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY on July 4, 1962 REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
- (11) Mayor's letter of 4/12/62 concerning "A PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT" and attached brochure. (Mailed to all Board members)
 REFERRED TO URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
- (12) Letter of 4/9/62 from Ronald M. Schwartz, 16th District Representative, concerning "Proposed City Code of Fair Practices"

The above matter was TABLED, pending further study by the Steering Committee.

- (13) Copy of Minutes of Personnel Commission meeting of March 20, 1962
 REFERRED TO PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
- (14) <u>Building Board of Appeals Letter dated 4/10/62 regarding hearing on request to reverse decision of Building Inspector on building located at 413 Summer Street ORDERED FILED, with copies sent to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE for their information.</u>
- (15) Parking Authority Financial Statement as of December 1961 NOTED AND FILED
- (16) Board of Education Financial Statement as of March 30, 1962 REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
- (17) Letters concerning 1962-1963 Budget REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE
- (18) Concerning reactivation of Picnic Committee for 1962 ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (19) Petitions for acceptance of roads REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
- (20) Concerning resignation of Bernard B. Geronimo (Democrat), 6th District Representative - ORDERED ON AGENDA as first order of business.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.

PAUL D. SHAPERO, Chairman Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE REPORT:

MRS. AUSTIN, Chairman, presented the report of her committee at this time. She said the Committee met at Dolan Jr. High School, May 7, 1962 at 7 P.M. Present were all members. She reported that the Committee were unanimous in their approval of the Mayor's appointments, with the exception of the appointment to the Electrical Examining Board which resulted in two votes for confirmation and two negative votes.

Mrs. Austin said the committee was unable to interview Mr. Robert Warner, but that he will be interviewed before the next regular Board meeting.

MRS. AUSTIN presented the names of the following appointees and MOVED for approval of the appointments. The vote is indicated after each name:

ELECTRICAL EXAMINING BOARD:

Term Expiring

NORMAN T. WOODBURY (R) (Layman) 3 yr. term 212 Roxbury Road (Replacing Marcellus Best, Jr., whose term expired 1/1/62) Jan. 1, 1965

VOTE: 22 yes 16 no 1 abstention

BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS:

FRANK S. MASSARI (R) (Architect) 5 yr. term

Jan. 1, 1967

115 Seaside Avenue (Reappointment)

VOTE: 33 yes
3 no
3 abstentions

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. MEYERS, Chairman, said a meeting of the Committee was held April 30, 1962 with all members present. He said the Committee welcomed Mrs. Austin as a new member, replacing Mr. Geronimo who has resigned from the Board.

Mr. Meyers reported that all items on the agenda were unanimously approved by the committee. However, item #6 which appears on the agenda in the amount of \$1,390 for the Police Department was not considered, for the reason that the Board of Finance had deferred it at their meeting of 4/12/62 and due to a misunderstanding was erroneously placed on the agenda for this evening.

(1) \$3,000.00 - CITY AND TOWN CLERK - For boating fees to be paid to State (Mayor's letter 4/6/62)

Mr. Meyers explained that this matter is not a City expenditure, but is merely a prepayment to the State of the boating fees expected to be received and as the fees are received, they are deposited into the General Fund.

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above requested appropriation. Mr. Shanen seconded the motion, stating that the Parks & Recreation Committee, to whom this had also been referred, concurred in the recommendation for approval. Mr. Mulreed and Mr. Kelly also seconded the motion. CARRIED unanimously.

(2) \$1,650.00° - FIRE DEPARTMENT - (Mayor's letter 4/6/62)

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Arruzza and CARRIED unanimously.

(3) \$122,500.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Reduced by Board of Finance)* (Mayor's letter 4/6/62)

MR. MEYERS called attention to the fact that the Board of Finance had reduced two of the above requests from their original figure.

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the appropriations outlined above. Seconded by Mrs. Clarke, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, to whom this had also been referred, concurred in the recommendation for approval. CARRIED unanimously.

(4) \$30,000.00 - CORPORATION COUNSEL - Code 110.5402, Settlement of Non-Contract Claims (Mayor's letter 4/6/62)

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mrs. Clarke, who said the Education, Welfars & Government Committee, to whom this had also been referred, concurred in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

(5) \$1,992.27 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.1705 - Maintenance of Patrol Cars (Mayor's letter 4/6/62)

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED unanimously.

(6) \$113,600.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (Mayor's letter 4/6/62) (REDUCED by Board of Finance)*

MR. MEYERS explained that the Snow Removal Account and Gas, Oil, Repairs Account had been reduced by the Board of Finance from the amount originally requested in the Mayor's letter.

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Blois, who said the Public Works Committee concurred in approval.

MR. SCARELLA asked for clarification of the amounts paid to private contractors and what was the payroll.

MR. MEYERS replied that he had all of the figures if he wished to have them read, He said that \$14,906.85 was paid to private contractors and there are unpaid bills for private contractors in the amount of \$29,283.63.

MR. SCARELLA asked how much was paid for salaries and overtime.

MR. MEYERS replied that they had not inquired just how much each contractor paid his personnel. There was some discussion at this point as the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee explained the breakdown of figures given to the Committee, which he said covered 5 pages.

VOTE taken on the above requested appropriation and CARRIED unanimously.

(7) \$7,000.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - Expenses for Primary held 4/19/62 Code 102.5105 (Mayor's letter 4/10/62)

MR. MEYERS MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mrs. Clarke, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also concurred in the approval. CARRIED unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. BAKER presented his committee report at this time, for meeting held Tuesday, May 1, 1962.

(1) Proposed Ordinance concerning approval of City of Stamford joining the SOUTHWESTERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY PLANNING REGION) Pursuant to provisions of Sec. 1 of Public Act 613, as defined by Public Act 448, 1959 Session of General Assembly) (Mayor's letter 2/19/62) (See item #3, page 3321, Minutes of 3/5/62 - Deferred 4/2/62)

MR. BAKER reported that an open public hearing had been held on April 10, 1962 by the Legislative & Rules Committee and the Planning & Zoning Committee. Thereafter, at a joint meeting of the two Committees, in executive session, experts in the field, who were in attendance by specific invitation, informed the committee members with regard to their views concerning the advantages and disadvantages of Regional Planning.

He said that at the meeting of the Committee held May 1st, it was brought to their attention that the Chamber of Commerce and the Stamford Good Government Association have asked that their organizations be afforded an opportunity to present their views on Regional Planning to the Committees. He said the committee felt that although it favored extending an opportunity to those organizations to be heard, that there was no good reason for delay in having the Ordinance published and therefore, approved the publication, and felt that by the time of the next regular Board meeting, the committee would be ready to report on the merits of the proposed Ordinance.

Mr. Baker said the committee recommends that the Ordinance be approved for publication, with two members of the committee dissenting from this recommendation (Mr. Sherman and Mr. Schwartz).

MR. BAKER MOVED for approval for publication of the following proposed Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Arruzza.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING APPROVAL OF CITY OF STAMFORD JOINING THE SOUTHWESTERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY PLANNING REGION (Pursuant to provisions of Sec. 1 of Public Act 613, as defined by Public Act 448, 1959 Session of General Assembly)

Section 1 - Adoption of Ordinance

Pursuant to the provisions of Section I of Public Act 613 of the 1959 Session of the General Assembly, the City of Stamford hereby adopts Public Act 613 of the General Statutes and joins in the creation of the regional planning agency for the Southwestern Fairfield County Regional Planning Group region, as defined by the Connecticut Development Commission, under the provisions of Public Act 448 of the 1959 Session of the General Assembly.

Section II - Local Representation

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Act 613, supra, the City of Stamford, having a population of 92,713 according to the Federal census of 1960, is entitled to four (4) representatives on the agency.

The Planning Board of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 613 of the 1959 Session of the General Assembly, is hereby authorized to appoint to the regional planning agency one member who shall be an elector of the City of Stamford. The term of the first member, appointed by the Planning Board after the enactment of this Ordinance, shall be one year. Thereafter, the term of the member appointed by the Planning Board shall be two years. The Mayor is hereby authorized to appoint to the regional planning agency, subject to the approval of the Board of Representatives, three members, who shall be electors of the City of Stamford. The term of one member appointed by the Mayor after the enactment of this Ordinance shall be one year and thereafter the term of such member, or his successor, shall be two years. The terms of the other two members appointed by the Mayor after the enectment of this Ordinance shall be two years. Appointees under this section shall continue to serve after the expiration of their terms until their successors are appointed and take office. The terms of office of initial appointees shall commence upon the establishment of said regional planning agency.

Section III - Resignation of Member

Any member who is absent from three consecutive regular meetings of any regional planning agency and any intervening duly called special meetings thereof shall be considered to have resigned the restal and from said regional planning agency and the vacancy shall be the appointing authority for the expiration of the terminal and of such member, except that the requirements of this section may be waived by the appointing authority where illness or other was allowed extenuating circumstances makes it impossible for a member to and hadroned meet the attendance requirement of this section.

Section IV - Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

THE PRESIDENT explained the procedure on adoption of Ordinances to the two newly appointed Board members, Mr. Baer and Mr. O'Neill.

MR. BAKER said he wished to point out to the members of this Board that at the meeting held on May lst the committee members did not engage in any discussion of the merits of joining the regional planning agency. He said it was decided that the Ordinance should be published and that they would then consider the merits of the adoption of the Ordinance at a meeting of the committee prior to the next regular meeting of the Board, in the event that the Board authorizes the publication of the Ordinance.

MR. SHERMAN said Mr. Baker had stated the point that he wished to make.

MR. RUSSELL, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, to whom this had also been referred, said he now wished to present the report of his Committee which follows:

The Planning & Zoning Committee met with the Legislative & Rules Committee on Tuesday, April 10, 1962 for the purposes of a public hearing concerning the proposed participation of Stamford into a Southwestern Fairfield County Regional Planning Agency.

All members of the Committee were present.

Another joint meeting of the two committees was held on April 17th, 1962. This meeting included invited people directly and closely associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and others who were opposed to associated with Regional Planning and Others who were opposed to associate as a second planning and others who were opposed to associate as a second planning and others who were opposed to associate as a second planning a

Present were: F. Melzer, J. Mulreed and G. Russell. Absent were: R. Meyers and A. Shanen.

A third joint meeting was held on May 1st, 1962, to decide on whether or not to propose publication of the Ordinance concerning. Stamford's participation in the Southwestern Fairfield County Regional Planning Agency. All members of the Committee were present.

After a lengthy discussion by both committees, it was decided by a majority vote of the members of both committees that the proposed Ordinance be approved for publication purposes only. It was also decided that the committees were only deciding on publication and

not on the merits of the proposed Ordinance, which would be discussed at a joint committee meeting to be held prior to the next regular meeting of the Board in June.

Due to the many joint meetings, as well as various committee members serving on the Fiscal and other committees as well, it was not possible for the Planning & Zoning Committee to hold a regular meeting to discuss other matters referred to it. These matters will be considered for the June meeting at a later date.

MR. CONNORS said he wanted to know what are the benefits that are to be derived from joining the regional planning agency.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Connors that it was the intention that the debate as to the merits of this Ordinance would be delayed until the next regular Board meeting. He ruled the question on the floor regards publication only.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to know how could something be published until you were familiar with what you were publishing. He said he would like to know what it was that he was voting for, before he voted, not after.

MR. BAKER said that membership in the Regional Planning Agency is voluntary and any community which joins is free to withdraw after six months notice; that there is a commitment in terms of six months time. He said there is absolutely nothing compulsory or obligatory in terms of continued participation.

MR. NOLAN rose on a point of order. He said he thought Mr. Baker was being very nice in explaining the merits of joining. However, he pointed out that the agreement had been made not to debate on the merits of the Ordinance and that the only question now on the floor was whether or not to publish the Ordinance - not approval; and it was out of order to now debate the merits of the Ordinance.

MR. SHERMAN explained why he is opposed to publication. He said that both he and Mr. Schwartz felt that because this was a matter of such widespread interest throughout the community that it was not fair to offer this Ordinance for publication without offering at the same time a report on its merits. He said up to this time neither committee had had any discussion as to the merits of the proposal, and for this reason they had voted against publication when it came before the Committee.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members that the motion is merely for publication of the Ordinance and that is all.

MR. MEYERS said he wished to speak on the question of publication. He said he was sure that most of the members were aware of the fact that mere publication of an Ordinance does not bind this body and in the event that the Board chooses to adopt the Ordinance that they can amend it and have complete freedom of amendment and can accept or reject any part or all of it.

MR. SCARELLA said to his mind it may not be irregular, but it sounds strange that a committee would hold a public hearing and then not come in with a report either in favor or against the matter. He said he wanted to know more about it before he could vote for publication. He said it was his opinion that there are some members who would tacitly accept something once this Board had published it.

He said he could not remember snything that this Board had ever published that it had not approved at a later meeting.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Scarella that he had once proposed a Code of Ethics and it was never approved by the Board.

MR. SCARELLA said that might be true, but that it had been discussed first and the opponents were heard prior to publication.

A RISING VOTE was taken on the motion to accept the Ordinance for publication. CARRIED, by a vote of 21 in favor, 17 opposed and one abstention.

MR. NOLAN MOVED for a roll call vote. Several members objected. Mr. Nolan said as long as a precedent was being established, it should be on the record. The motion was seconded and CARRIED.

After some further discussion, Mr. Nolan withdraw his motion.

(2) Lease between City of Stamford and U. S. NAVY for property on Magee Avenue for period beginning April 1, 1962 and ending June 30, 1962 (Per Mayor's letter of 4/10/62)

MR. BAKER MOVED for approval of the above lease. Seconded by Mr. Meyers and CARRIED unanimously.

(3) Proposed amendment to Sec. 3.4 of Ordinance No. 65 Supplemental (See Mayor's letter to President, dated 3/16/62 - See item #2, Minutes of 4/2/62 under Steering Committee Report)

The above matter was DEFERRED.

(4) Proposed amendments to Building Code (Sec. 613, page 161 of Plumbing Code)
Presented in letter from 16th District Representatives dated 4/2/62)

The above matter was DEFERRED.

(5) APPEAL from decision of ZONING BOARD on Application No. 61-021, DOROTHY

DOYLE, ET AL (Letter of 4/10/62 from Zoning Board) (Also referred to
the Planning & Zoning Committee)

MR. BAKER reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee is unanimously of the opinion that this matter is properly before the Board for its consideration. In regard to a report on the merits, this would be reported on by the Planning & Zoning Committee.

A report on this matter from the Planning & Zoning Committee will be presented at the June meeting.

(6) Request for license to give pony rides on city streets (From James Ericson in letter dated 4/2/62) (See item #14, page 3322, Minutes of 3/5/62)

MR. BAKER presented the following resolution and MOVED its adoption. Seconded by Mr. Nolan, Mr. Meyers and Mr. Schwartz. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 389

AUTHORIZING JAMES ERICSON, 341 OAKLAWN AVENUE, STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, TO CONDUCT PONY RIDES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF STAMFORD, AT A FEE AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED

WHEREAS, JAMES ERICSON has made application to the Board of Representatives to conduct pony rides within the City limits of said Stamford, and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Stamford General Ordinances, Chapter 30, Section 3, Subdivision 4, the Board of Representatives, according to the circumstances of each case, shall set a license fee of not less than Five (5) Dollars;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives, governing body of the City of Stamford, as follows:

- That a license fee of FIVE (5) Dollars be established for the conducting of pony rides by said JAMES ERICSON within the City limits of the City of Stamford.
- (7) Resolution Concerning acceptance of offer by Federal Government for Planning advance and financial assistance to create a NORTH-SOUTH ARTERY somewhere south of the Merritt Parkway to alleviate traffic bottleneck (See Minutes of 2/5/62, item #4, pages 3308-3311 and Mayor's letter of 1/22/62)
- MR. BAKER read the following resolution and MOVED for its adoption. Seconded by Mr. Melzer and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 390

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN ADVANCE FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE FOR PLANNING OF A NORTH-SOUTH ARTERY SOMEWHERE SOUTH OF THE MERRITT PARKWAY TO ALLEVIATE TRAFFIC BOTTLENECK (Under the terms of Public Law 560, 83rd Congress of the United States, as amended)

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford, after thorough consideration of the various aspects of the problem and study of available data has hereby determined that the construction of certain public works, generally described as The Stamford North-South Arterial Highway, is desirable and in the public interest and to that end it is necessary that action preliminary to the construction of said works be taken immediately; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of Public Law 560, 83rd Congress, as amended, the United States of America has authorized the making of advances to public bodies to aid in financing the cost of engineering and architectural surveys, designs, plans, working drawings, specifications or other action preliminary to aid in preparation for the construction of public works; and

WHEREAS, the said City has examined and duly considered such act and the said City considers it to be in the public interest and to its benefit to file an acceptance under said act and to authorize other action in connection therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives, the governing body of said City, as follows:

- That the construction of said public works is essential to and is to the best interest of the City, and to the end that such public works may be provided as promptly as practicable, it is desirable that action preliminary to the construction thereof be undertaken immediately;
- 2. That the Mayor of the City of Stamford be hereby authorized to file in behalf of the City an acceptance (in form required by the United States and in conformity with said act) for an advance to be made by the United States to the said City to aid in defraying the cost of plan preparation for the above described public works, which shall consist generally of the construction of approximately 5 miles of highway, starting from the vicinity of the Merritt Parkway to the vicinity of the Connecticut Thruway.
- That if such advance be made, the said City shall provide or make necessary arrangements to provide such funds, in addition to the advance, as may be required to defray the cost of the plan preparation of such public works;
- 4. The said Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to furnish such information and take such action as may be necessary to enable the said City to qualify for the advance;
- 5. That the officer designated in the preceding paragraph is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the said City for the purpose of furnishing to the United States such information, data, and documents pertaining to the application for an advance as may be required; and otherwise to act as the authorized representative of the said City in connection with this acceptance.
- 6. That certified copies of this resolution be included as part of the application for an advance to be submitted to the United States.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

MR. RUSSELL said that there would be no further report on matters on the Agenda as the Committee members had all been involved in many joint committee meetings, and a report would be given at the June Board meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. SHANEN reported on the petitions referred to his Committee, as follows:

PETITIONS:

(1) <u>VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION</u> - Requesting permission to hold parade on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1962 at 2 P.M. and for memorial services same day at 10 A.M. (Letter dated 4/4/62 from James P. DeVito, President)

MR. SHANEN said his Committee unanimously approved this request, provided that the necessary insurance, Fire, and Police regulations are adequately met. HE MOVED for approval of the above petition. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED unanimously.

(2) STAMFORD YACHT CLUB - Request in letter of 4/11/62 for ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY on July 4, 1962

MR. SHANEN said his Committee unanimously approved this petition, provided that the necessary insurance, Fire and Police regulations are met.

MR. SHANEN MOVED for approval of the above petition. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED unanimously.

STAMFORD KIWANIS CLUB - Request for permission to waive fee for a solicitor's permit under the terms of Ordinance No. 77, Supplemental - In letter dated 5/1/62

MR. SHANEN MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to take up the above petition for the reason that it had been received too late for consideration by the Steering Committee and placement on the agends. Seconded by Mr. Russell and CARRIED unanimously.

MR. SHANEN presented the following request and MOVED for approval. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

May 1, 1962

Board of Representatives City Hall Stamford, Connecticut

Gentlemen:

The Stamford Kiwanis Club is having its annual charitable fund raising drive on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12, 1962.

This year the Club is having a peanut sale. All of the members of the Club will be located at various places throughout the City selling bags of peanuts to the public.

We have been informed that it is necessary to obtain a solicitor's permit under Ordinance No. 77, Supplemental. Peddlers, Vendors and Solicitors, and we hereby make application for such a permit and further, under said Ordinance, that the fee provision may be waived by a two-third vote of the Board of Representatives. We would appreciate whatever consideration you would give to this application.

Very truly yours, (Signed) William J. Murray

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

MR. OPPENHEIMER, Chairman, presented the following committee report at this time:

Thursday, April 5, 1962: The Urban Redevelopment Committee met at the URC offices to explore and discuss the subject of appraisal techniques and relocation problems. Present from the Committee were: Messrs. Michael Sherman, Carmine Longo, Anthony Esposito, Benjamin Kozlowski, William Murphy, George Connors, William Walsh, David Oppenheimer and also Patsy Arruzza from the 4th District, George Russell, Chairman of Planning & Zoning Committee; and Jack McLaughlin. The following members of the Urban Redevelopment Commission attended: Mrs. Dwight Marshall, Mr. Salem Shapiro, Mr. James Turrentine, Mr. Jack Toth and Mr. Paul Plotkin.

The first half of the meeting was devoted to a very informative explanation of the system and principles employed in evaluating properties in the Quadrant. Mr. George Dobson and Mr. Ray Lesher of VALUATION ASSOCIATES led the discussion. During the remainder of the meeting, Mr. Robert Demms, Executive Director of the Stamford Housing Authority, described problems that may be encountered and techniques that will be used in relocating the approximately 1,000 families in the Southeast Quadrant area. The meeting adjourned promptly at 10 P.M.

Tuesday, April 17, 1962: A regular meeting was held at the URC offices. Present from the Committee were Messrs. William Walsh, Anthony Esposito, Benjamin Kozlowski, George Connors, David Oppenheimer and Patsy Arruzza from the 4th District. Mrs. Dwight Marshall, Mr. Salem Shapiro, Mr. Jack Toth, Mr. James Carey, Mr. James Turrentine, Mr. Paul Plotkin and Mr. Louis Greenbaum represented the URC. Mr. Pierre Bonan and Mr. Robert Rich, sponsors of the Southeast Quadrant Project, conducted a question and answer session. Areas under discussion were staging, importance of adequate parking facilities, traffic flow, tax structure, schools, potential merchant tenants and other related subjects.

Sunday morning, April 8, 1962: The following members of the Committee drove to New Haven to visit the New Haven Urban Renewal Projects: Messrs. David Oppenheimer, Benjamin Kozlowski, George Connors, Anthony Esposito, George Russell (Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee). The group was met by Mr. Alan Jepson, Executive director of the Citizens' Advisory Committee of New Haven at the Progress Pavilion. After studying the models and photographs of the projects, Mr. Jepson drove the Committee to the project sites. He discussed the history, problems, techniques used to meet the problems and the economic impact that renewal has had on the City of New Haven. An hour and a half later, the group returned to the pavilion and met with Mr. Charles Shannon, Assistant Director of the New Haven Redevelopment Agency. He answered many questions and provided detailed information concerning the various projects.

David E. Oppenheimer, Chairman Urban Redevelopment Committee

MR. OPPENHEIMER extended an invitation to all Board members to attend the next meeting which will be held on Thursday, May 17th at the URC headquarters at 8 P.M.

MR. OFFENHEIMER MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring the following matter before the Board. He said it had been inadvertently ommitted from the agenda. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

A PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT (Mayor's letter of 4/12/62 and attached brochure)

MR. OPPENHEIMER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Connors and CARRIED unanimously.

CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION:

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THE PRESIDENT named the following members of the 5th Charter Revision Commission:

REPUBLICANS

ELLIS B. BAKER 254 Glenbrook Road

RAYMOND G. CUSHING 182 Toms Road

MRS. FRANCES LILLIENDAHL * 15 Boulderol Road

CANIO A SANTORO 648 Newfield Avenue

DEMOCRATS

MRS. POBIE JOHNSTON (Mrs. Rodney C.) 19 Hamilton Court

FRANKLIN MELZER * 25 Puritan Lane

E. ARTHUR MORIN, JR. 46-A Bracewood Lane

MICHAEL J. NAGURNEY 76 Hope Street

EDWARD RIVLIN Woodley Road

* Are members of the Board of Representatives

PICNIC COMMITTEE (for 1962):

THE PRESIDENT announced the appointment of the following members of the Picnic Committee for 1962:

GEORGE RUSSELL, Chairman
WILLIAM MURPHY
GEORGE CONNORS
ELEANOR AUSTIN
ROSE FARINA
DAVID JOHNSON
JOHN NOLAN
DAVID OPPENHEIMER
FRED BLOIS

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR:

Concerning SEASIDE AVENUE

THE PRESIDENT read the following letter from the Mayor, dated May 3, 1962:

I have at hand a communication from the Board of Representatives, dated April 3, in reference to a petition and other pertinent information concerning Seaside Avenue, referred to me for "whatever action you deem appropriate".

Inasmuch as this action involves capital expenditure and must be initiated therefore by the Planning Board, I am referring it to the Planning Board for whatever action they deem appropriate.

(Signed)
J. Walter Kennedy, Mayor

MR. CONNORS spoke on the above matter and stressed the urgency of doing something about the poor conditions existing at the present time - the lack of curbing, etc. He said he did not think the alleviation of some of these conditions would be too expensive, requiring capital expenditures and that if the most imperative matters were met now, the matter of the flooding condition might be taken care of under a capital expenditure. He said if the curbs were restored it would take care of the most pressing requirement, and might keep the water from running over on to people's property.

THE PRESIDENT suggested that Mr. Connors refer this matter of the curbing to the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

THE PRESIDENT read the following letter:

YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION AND AUXILIARY-

May 4, 1962

The members of the Yankee Division Veterans Association extend to the Board of Representatives of Stamford, Connecticut, an invitation to join us for the dedication of Yankee Division Highway at 1:30 P.M. on June 28, 1962.

We, of the YDVA would deem it an honor if the Board of Representatives could be with us on this occasion.

Your favorable reply will be most appreciated.

Joseph LiVolsi, General Chairman

Concerning Report of 5 member Citizens Committee to Investigate salaries of Police and Fire Departments (Appointed at Board meeting of Sept. 11, 1961)

(Report given to Board of Representatives March 1, 1962)

MR. JOHNSON asked to have the above matter referred to the Steering Committee.

Concerning letter of 4/9/62 from Ronald M. Schwartz, 16th District Representative, concerning "Proposed City Code of Fair Practices". (#12 under Steering Committee Report)

MR. JOHNSON spoke in reference to the above matter and asked why it was tabled and not referred to Committee.

MR. NOLAN said there was a question in his mind as to why the motion was originally made as there did not seem to be any necessity for it. He said if, in the future, someone should come in with a specific instance of discrimination in the city, it should then be referred to the proper committee. He said there were statutes to cover this sort of thing and did not think it necessary to put legislation on the books when there is no problem.

MR. SCHWARTZ said he was horrified at Mr. Nolan's stand and spoke in favor of the proposal to adopt legislation. He said the President of the United States thought it was a good idea when he made his State of the Union Message on January 30, 1961, governing government employees.

MR. NOLAN said he thought the whole matter was entirely out of order at this time and rose to a point of order.

THE PRESIDENT ruled that Mr. Schwartz could speak.

MR. SCHWARTZ spoke in favor of the above matter and asked that it be referred to Committee.

MR. SHANEN objected to taking up the time of the Board in discussing a matter that was now in the hands of the Steering Committee.

THE PRESIDENT suggested that Mr. Johnson and Mr. Schwarts submit a letter on this matter at the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

MR. NOLAN said there would seem to be no reason to put this on the city's books and to legislate on the matter and it should be held for further information as to the merits of such legislation.

MR. SCHWARTZ said he had no "further information" and if they wished to "kill" it in Committee to go shead.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

THE PRESIDENT announced that a special board meeting in reference to the adoption of the 1962-1963 Budget will be held one week from tonight at 7 P.M. in Dolan Jr. High School Cafeteria. He said because of the length of these meetings is would be better to hold the meeting earlier.

MR. MEYERS asked that any member of this Board who has any questions in regard to the Budget that he wished explained to please contact him prior to the next special meeting, so that he can arrange to have the information for him.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

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APPROVED:

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Paul D. Shapero, President Board of Representatives Velma Farrell

Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)