

*The Regular Meeting of the 29th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on **Monday, February 1, 2016**, at 8:00 p.m., in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.*

MINUTES

¹INVOCATION: Delivered by The Rev. ReBecca Sala.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Skigen.

²ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Summerville. There were 38 members present and 2 members absent or excused. [See Vote Record 1830](#). Also in attendance was Laura Di Costanzo, Page.

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: Confirmed by Clerk of the Board Summerville.

³MOMENTS OF SILENCE: To be recorded in the minutes.

⁴COMMUNICATIONS:

President Skigen announced:

1. The deadline for the Steering Agenda is Wednesday, February 3rd at 5:00 pm.
2. The Steering Committee meeting is on Monday, February 8th at 7:00 pm. There will be a pre-Steering meeting with the Mayor at 6:00 pm.
3. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be on Monday, March 7th.
4. Representatives Coleman, Kolenberg, Nabel, Okun, Quinones, Ryan, Summerville and Wallace are celebrating birthdays this month.
5. Congratulations to Rep. Carl Franzetti on being awarded Stamford Police Badge No. 2.

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² Video Time Stamp 00:02:04

³ Video Time Stamp 00:05:31

⁴ Video Time Stamp 00:06:50

6. The Public Disclosure Form on each member's desk needs to be filled out and signed by each member in order to participate in the CDBG decision-making process. Please return the form to Angie this evening or to the Board office ASAP.

Representative Mitchell thanked everyone for their good wishes during her recent illness.

Representative Zelinsky read the following statement into the record:

Thank you Mr. President.

At last month's regular Board of Representative meeting during the Appointments Committee report on the vote for Jennifer Godzeno for the Planning Board, based on information I received from the Democratic Registrar of Voters office I said Mrs. Godzeno did not tell the truth and lied on her application about being a voter. She is a registered voter in Stamford. I want to apologize to her, her family, to this board and especially Representative Figueroa and Representative Summerville.

I did send her a letter of apology the day after our meeting.

⁵HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

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| 1. | Recognizing Community Clean Up of the Areas Adjacent to Czescik Park.
12/09/15 – Submitted by Reps. Okun, Ryan and Watkins.
01/04/16 – Held | APROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOTE |
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A motion to approve the above resolution was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Attendance Report & Video	Meeting: Monday, January 11, 2016 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room
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Majority Leader Mitchell made a motion to waive the Steering Committee Report. Said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁵ Video Time Stamp 00:10:23

⁶APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: Annie Summerville, Co-Chair

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Anabel Figueroa, Co-Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 26, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Co-Chair Figueroa reported that the Appointments Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Figueroa and Summerville, and Committee Member Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, de la Cruz, Franzetti, McGarry, Patterson, and Savage. Also in attendance were President Skigen, and Reps. DePina, Fedeli, and Watkins; Michael Pollard, Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office; Marty Levine, Special Assistant to the Mayor; John Mallozzi, Maureen Boylan, and three other members of the public.

1. A29.116

Zoning Board

Joanna M. Gwozdzowski (D) Repl. Michelson (R)

Stamford, CT 06902

Term Expires: 12/1/2018

11/05/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

11/09/15 – Held at Steering

12/28/15 – Held in Committee

01/26/15 – Approved 5-4-0

**APPROVED BY
MACHINE
VOTE 19-15-4**

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made and seconded. There was extensive discussion among the members of the Board concerning Item No. 1.

Representative Cerasoli read the following statement into the record:

Last week, at the Appointments Committee meeting, I explained that my 'NO' vote on this appointment was based on my reluctance to replace someone with over 40 years of experience in Zoning & City Planning with someone who has far less relevant experience.

But there's also another issue that I did not touch on last week.

I don't think there's any way to properly evaluate this appointment without addressing the boatyard situation. Without getting into the substance of that issue, which I'm NOT going to do, I think it's clear that it is unlike any other issue that's come before the Zoning Board while I've been on this board.

Normally, an appointment before our board is about whether or not the candidate is qualified. I do understand that. But I think this is a different situation. There are so many factors revolving around the boatyard issue that, I believe, put it in an entirely different class: (1) how long this has been going on - YEARS (2) the strong community reaction, even among those who are not boat-owners, (3) the amount of press coverage received, hence, visibility (4) the significant short term and long term implications of the ultimate decision and (5) the timing of this Zoning Board nomination relative to where we are in the process. Taking all this together, this is a very unique situation that falls well outside the norm, and therefore warrants a different approach.

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Regarding the timing, I think what we're being asked to confirm tonight can be likened to a judge changing the composition of a jury not long before a very high-profile case goes to deliberation. As with this situation, that would undermine the entire process that came before it, and could result in a final decision some would consider tainted, and others might consider illegitimate. In addition, confidence in a fair process, which is so important in building public trust, would be eroded.

I believe that the current members of the Zoning Board, be they Democrat or Republican should keep their seats until this issue, the boatyard, is resolved – fully resolved – with all outstanding issues decided one way or the other. And I'd be more than happy to support Ms. Gwozdzowski once we reach that stage.

One last point: I'm sure everyone in this room is aware of the current political climate out there in the country. Voters all over the political spectrum feel a growing frustration that their representatives, their leaders, their congressman, don't really represent THEM anymore. There's a feeling that the 'powers that be' come to other accommodations among themselves, that don't really put the priorities of their voters first.

I don't want to see those same voter frustrations take root here, in Stamford. And I certainly don't want this body to be complicit in that. But here WE are, preparing to vote on whether or not it's appropriate to, in effect, change the jury just before the deliberation on this very significant issue. It's hard for me to see how this effort doesn't fit the very definition of what is feeding voter frustration all over the country.

I will be voting against changing the current makeup of the Zoning Board, AT THIS TIME and I would encourage you to do the same. I implore you to let the current Zoning Board finish this work, free from interference. And I'd like to request a roll call vote so that I can be clear, on the record, that my NO vote is without prejudice as my issue is more with how this process is being rolled out, rather than any issue with the nominee.

Representative Zelinsky read the following statement into the record:

Thank you Mr. President.

In the first place, the timing of the appointment is very bad and inappropriate. This appointment for the Zoning Board should not have come before us at this crucial time with a debate, discussion and controversy that is presently before the Zoning Board.

Joanna has volunteered her time to be a member of the Charter Revision Commission and has served as an alternate member of the Zoning Board for over 2 years. She is intelligent and prepared on issues that board, does her homework and has good attendance. She is now put in the middle of this controversial discussion.

What we are voting for tonight is to replace a long serving member of the Zoning Board Barry Michelson who is also intelligent, does his homework and is always prepared on issues. Mr. Michelson has strong justified opinions on certain issues.

I watched the Appointments Committee meeting that was taped because I could not attend. Representatives on that committee asked excellent questions and Joanna answered them.

Tonight I do not enjoy having to vote for this appointment. This is a very difficult decision for me and also my colleagues. I will vote my conscience and the will of my constituents and I ask my colleagues to do the same.

My constituents have telephoned me. All 24 told me to support Barry and not support Joanne; two of my constituents told me they know Joanna, are good friends of hers and support her.

I hope we never have to vote on an issue like this ever again. I will be reluctantly voting no. Joanna's name should not have been submitted until after the Zoning Board votes on the boatyard issue. What is the urgency and rush? Then she would be approved unanimously.

Representative Di Costanzo spoke in favor of the appointment:

I want to state that a lot of hard work and effort and thought went into what's before us today -- on the side of the Mayor's office, on the side of the Board of Representatives, on the Appointments Committee. And I really find it interesting. The take that I have is that Ms. Gwozdziowski was an alternate and as that, basically what that states is that, should someone not be able to perform their duties, she would step in.

So while it was okay for her to be an alternate and God forbid anything happened to one of the Zoning members, she would be okay for those duties and there would be nothing wrong with that process. Where we were asked to consider her as an appointment candidate, and what we found, and what I will be supporting, is the fact that she is qualified. It has nothing to do if she is more qualified or anything to do with comparisons. It is an appointment that became very very evident that it was fine to be an alternate and now that she has an opportunity and has been offered an opportunity to fill that appointment. I think that this Board should consider supporting that effort because she has done the homework; she has been there. And again, she's not done every single thing that the current sitting board member has done. However, that does not disqualify the fact that she could. This boatyard vote has not been decided and she has stated on record that she has not made up her mind. And I think that impartiality is extremely important to hear. I do believe that she will do an excellent job for the Zoning Commission.

Thank you.

Representative Ryan read the following statement into the record:

Thank You Mr. President.

My request is fairly ordinary and entirely reasonable—to delay the replacement of Mr. Michelson on the ZB until the pending boatyard applications are decided. We have waited for 5 years for a resolution to BLT's illegal removal of Stamford's most vital historic water-dependent use—as everyone knows—and we are finally on the eve of a

resolution. It is fair and right that the replacement of Mr. Michelson should wait until a decision is made. There is no upright reason to insist his replacement happen now.

Common sense, and the law, dictates that after years-long hearings on a controversial matter before a tribunal, proponents ought not be allowed to remove a sitting decision maker in anticipation of an impending decision...especially not because these proponents anticipate that the decision maker will not vote favorably regarding this decision.

Once the pending controversial applications are disposed of, there will be no objection to the replacement. I have every confidence that the new member will prove valuable; she seems more than capable, and for all I know she might vote the same way Mr. Michelson would. But, her qualifications, however laudatory they may be, are not at issue here. In fact, I think it is unfair that the Mayor has thrust her so clumsily into this controversy.

What is at issue is the BOR's duty to protect fundamental fairness, the integrity of local government, due process, and the rule of law. The manner and timing of this replacement, and the adverse perception that such a replacement creates, is corrosive to the public trust. That is the issue.

Nobody is claiming the Mayor does not have the power to propose this replacement - however, we the BOR also have the power to reject appointments. Indeed, it is my contention that we not only have the power, but the duty to reject, or in this case, postpone, appointments on those very rare occasions where such appointments will harm the public trust—that is, the trust of the very people whom we are bound to serve.

To that end, many of you will remember that I was a vocal public critic of the Pavia administration when it failed to reappoint Audrey Cosentini to the ZB, despite my respect for the individual proposed to replace her. And so—this is not a partisan issue to me. It's an issue, again, of public trust. I can't say it enough.

Regarding the boatyard controversy, there have been: Countless public meetings held, newspaper articles run, letters to the editor written, editorials published. There have been applications submitted, rejected, and re-submitted; referrals to, and reports from the other land use boards; issuances of so-called legal opinions; teams of high priced lawyers and consultants deployed; market studies submitted; court actions; appeals,... after all this, and with the seemingly endless maneuvering by BLT finally coming to a conclusion, now, after this vast cacophony of deliberations, presentations and discussions - now, NOW we need to replace a sitting ZB member? Why now? -Kill- Is it merely because the Mayor wants to innocently re-balance for Party representation? Is this really just mundane housekeeping, a simple matter of Party ratios?

That's a sudden a priority, 2 years after the election, and with many other board and commission members sitting in expired seats, including another Republican on the ZB? "No, No, Nothing to see here folks - just a little innocent Party reshuffling." Is anybody really buying that? So then - why replace this ZB member now? I think we all know why - and for the administration to offer an obviously disingenuous rationalization is, frankly, an insult to the intelligence of the citizens of Stamford.

I can tell you this folks, the perception, if not the reality, is that now, at this late hour, the game is being rigged. That is what our citizens perceive, and justifiably so in my opinion, and that perception of an ill-timed replacement will only serve to exacerbate an already anemic level of public participation in our city's civic affairs. And that's a shame, because without robust public engagement in the issues that inform our decisions, our self-governing process is cheapened, and sadly, our local quality of life is diminished. We want the people of Stamford to heartily participate in our city's government. We want them to re-engage even more fully with the deliberative process of civic discourse. For this to happen, we must inspire and earn their trust, not undermine it.

Now is not the time to replace Mr. Michelson. I respectfully encourage my colleagues to postpone the replacement of Mr. Michelson until the current applications are acted on by voting 'no' on this appointment - not because the proposed appointee is unworthy—we welcome her participation at a more judicious time—but because this targeted replacement of a sitting ZB board member at this late stage of a highly controversial episode sends exactly the wrong message and will merely add fuel to the growing fire of frustration and animosity among Stamford's residents toward their local municipal government.

In closing, Mr. President - this may be a difficult vote for some, but it is the difficult votes that define us as public servants. We all took an oath to serve the public, the whole public - not just the powerful, and not just those with huge financial fortunes at stake - we took an oath to serve everyone, equally. Given the opportunity to nurture and support fairness and the transparent due process of law, we ought to do so. It should be an honor to do so. The citizens of this city are counting on us to do just that.

Thank You Mr. President.

Representative Day stated that he would be abstaining.

The motion to approve Item No. 1 was approved by a machine vote of 19-15-4 (Reps. Adams, Coleman, DePina, Di Costanzo, Figueroa, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, McNeil, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Pratt, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, and Wallace in favor; Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coppola, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Hoch, Kolenberg, Liebson, Mahoney, McGarry, McMullen,, Quinones, Ryan, Watkins and Zelinsky opposed; Reps. Buckman, Day, Franzetti and Okun abstaining.) [See Vote Record 1831.](#)

2. A29.131	Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA)	HELD
	Daniel E. Capano (U) Reappointment	
	Stamford, CT 06902	
	Term Expires: 12/1/2018	
	12/09/15-Submitted by Mayor Martin	
	12/28/15 – Held in Committee	
	01/26/15 – Held in Committee	

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| 3. A29.137 | Health Commission
Barbara J. Decker (D) Reappointment
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/1/2018
01/06/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
01/26/15 – Approved 9-0-0 | APPROVED ON
 CONSENT
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A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 3, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

⁷FISCAL COMMITTEE:

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Monica Di Costanzo, Chair

Frank Cerasoli, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, January 25, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

-and-

Monday, February 1, 2016

6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
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Chair Di Costanzo reported that the Fiscal Committee met on January 25, 2016 as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Cerasoli, and Committee Member Reps. Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Quinones and Silver. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Coleman, and Mitchell. Also present were Jay Fountain, OPM Director; Michael Handler, Administration; David Yanik, Controller Office; Kevin Murray, Parks/Facilities; and Karen Cammarota, Grants Director.

The Committee also met on February 1, 2016 as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Di Costanzo, Vice Chair Cerasoli and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Day, Fedeli, Figueroa, Miller, Mitchell, Quinones and Silver. Absent or excused was Committee Member Rep. DeLuca. Also present were Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer and Erin McKenna, Associate Planner, Land Use Bureau.

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| 1. F29.361 | RESOLUTION ; Authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the State Office of Policy & Management for an Inter-Town Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program to purchase \$268,000 in Tactical Personal Protective Equipment for EMS and Fire Departments (City match: \$19,200).
11/17/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
12/28/15 – Held in Committee
01/25/15 – Approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED ON
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 AGENDA |
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| 2. F29.372
\$12,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Overnight Warming Center at Inspirica under Severe Weather Protocols.
12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance
01/25/15 – Approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 3. F29.373
\$100,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Environmental Hazard Abatement; Emergency Asbestos Removal at Current Police Headquarters on Bedford Street.
12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
01/05/15 – Approved by Planning Board
01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance
01/25/15 – Approved 7-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 4. F29.371
\$65,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Funding for Stamford's 375th Anniversary Celebration.
12/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
01/14/15 – Approved by Board of Finance
01/25/15 – Approved 8-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 5. F29.375 | REVIEW; Annual Safe Debt Limit Letter.
01/06/15 – Submitted by Rep. Di Costanzo
01/25/15 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |
| 6. F29.376 | REVIEW; FY 2015 Certified Annual Financial Report.
01/06/15 – Submitted by Rep. Di Costanzo
01/25/15 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 through 4, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

A motion to suspend the rules to take up Item No. 7 was made, seconded and approved by a machined vote of 35-1-0 (Reps. Adams, Buckman, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Day, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Franzetti, Giraldo, Heaphy, Hoch, Kolenberg, Liebson, Mahoney, McNeil, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Okun, Pratt, Quinones, Ryan, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace, Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. McMullen opposed).

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| 7 F29.377 | RESOLUTION ; Authorizing an Agreement with the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management for Assistance Provided through the Responsible Growth and Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Grant Program (\$1.96 million requested)
01/29/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
02/01/16 – Approved by Committee 9-0-1 | APPROVED BY
MACHINE VOTE
36-1-0 |
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A motion to approve Item No. 7 was made, seconded and approved by a machined vote of 36-1-0 (Reps. Adams, Buckman, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Coppola, Day, de la Cruz, DePina, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Franzetti, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Hoch, Kolenberg, Liebson, Mahoney, McNeil, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Nabel, Okun, Pratt, Quinones, Ryan, Savage, Silver, Skigen, Summerville, Wallace , Watkins and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. McMullen opposed).

⁸LEGISLATIVE & RULES

COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
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(public hrg sign-in)

Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Elise Coleman, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Legislative Chambers

Chair Heaphy reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Heaphy; Vice Chair Coleman and Committee Member Reps Day, Nabel, Okun, Silver and Zelinsky. Absent or excused was Rep. Mitchell. Also present were Reps. McMullen and Quinones, Tilford Cobb, Animal Control Officer; John Franzetti; Animal Control; Michael Toma, Law Department; and approximately 25 members of the public

1. [LR29.052](#) ORDINANCE, for public hearing and final adoption; **HELD**
 Amending Chapter 111. Public Safety and Animal Welfare.
 06/02/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin and Rep. Heaphy
 06/15/15 – Held in Committee
 07/21/15 – Held in Committee
 08/31/15 – Held in Committee
 09/21/15 – Held in Committee
 10/29/15 – Held in Committee
 11/16/15 – Approved by Committee for publication
 12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/19/16 – Held in Committee 6-0-1

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

2. [LR29.063](#) ORDINANCE, for publication; Repealing Chapter 6, **HELD**
 Article XI of the Code of Ordinances, Concerning the Smith House Board of Directors. .
 01/06/16 – Submitted by President Skigen
01/19/16 – Held in Committee
3. [LR29.064](#) ORDINANCE, for publication; Repealing Chapter **HELD**
 40, Article XXXIV of the Code of Ordinances, Concerning the Executive Director - Smith House.
 01/06/16 – Submitted by President Skigen
01/19/16 – Held in Committee

⁸ Video Time Stamp 00:44:43

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Susan Nabel, Chair
Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair

Meeting: ~~Wednesday, January 27, 2016~~ - **Cancelled**
6:30 p.m. — Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nabel reported that the Personnel Committee did not meet and there was no report.

1. P29.055 REVIEW; The city's process for reviewing and evaluating the performance of city employees.
08/05/15 – Submitted by Rep. Quinones
08/10/15 – Held at Steering
09/16/15 – Held at Steering
10/13/15 – Held at Steering
11/09/15 – Held at Steering
12/14/15 – Held at Steering

⁹LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Harry Day, Chair

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Meeting: Wednesday, January 27, 2016
7:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Day reported that the Land Use-Urban Redevelopment Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Day and Committee Member Reps. Hoch, McNeil, Okun, Ryan and Summerville. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Heaphy, McGarry and Patterson. Also present were Rep. McMullen and Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations.

1. LU29.056 RESOLUTION; Renaming or conferring the honorary **HELD**
naming of Richmond Hill Avenue to Dr. Joyce
Yerwood Road in conformance with Section 21 of
the Code of Ordinances.
09/30/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin and Reps.
DePina and Mitchell
10/27/15 – Held in Committee
12/01/15 – Held in Committee
12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/27/16 – Held in Committee 6-0-0

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| 2. LU29.062 | RESOLUTION, Initiating the Process of Accepting Georgian Court as a City Street under Charter Part 8, Budgetary Procedures - 6; Special Assessment.
12/14/15 – Submitted by Georgian Court Homeowners Association
01/27/16 – Held in Committee 6-0-0 | HELD |
| 3. LU29.039 | REVIEW; Current and Future Purpose and Role of the Urban Redevelopment Commission.
04/08/15 – Submitted by Reps. Day, Kooris, Silver, Skigen, Buckman and Zelinsky
04/28/15 – Report Made & Held in Committee
05/26/15 – Report Made & Held in Committee
06/30/15 – Held in Committee
07/13/15 – Placed on Pending Agenda
09/01/15 – Report Made & Held in Committee
09/29/15 – Held in Committee
10/27/15 – Held in Committee
12/01/15 – Held in Committee
12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/27/16 – Motion to send letter to Mayor approved 6-0-0 | HELD |
| 4. LU29.064 | REVIEW; Development Plans, Maintenance, and Zoning Compliance of Privately-Owned and City-Owned Industrial Properties on Magee Avenue.
12/09/15 – Submitted by Rep. Ryan
12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/27/16 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |

¹⁰OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: **Joseph Coppola, Jr., Chair**
[Attendance & Votes](#) **John R. Zelinsky, Vice Chair**
[Report & Video](#) Meeting: Thursday, January 28, 2016
[\(public hrg sign-in\)](#) 7:00 p.m. – Legislative Chambers

Chair Coppola reported that the Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Coppola, Vice Chair Zelinsky and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Coleman, Mahoney and McMullen. Excused or absent were Committee Reps. Buckman, Giraldo and Liebson. Also present were President Skigen, Reps. Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Hoch Miller, Moore, Giordano, Silver, and Watkins; Kevin Murray, Parks/Facilities; Kevin McCarthy Foss & O'Neill; Chris Gibielli and Sean Boeger, Stamford Police Department; Lou Casolo, Engineering Department; Mike Handler, Director of Administration; Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations and several members of the public.

1. [O29.053](#) **ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption;** **HELD**
 Amendment of §§ 214- 29 of the Code of Ordinances.
 11/05/15 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
 11/24/15 – Approved by Committee for publication
 12/07/15 – Returned to Committee at Board meeting
 12/21/15 – Approved by Committee for publication, as amended
01/28/16 – Held in Committee 4-2-0

2. O29.059 **REVIEW; Conditions at Current Police Station.** **REPORT MADE**
 01/06/16 – Submitted by Reps. Coppola and Fedeli
01/28/16 – Report Made

Secondary Committee: Committee of the Whole

¹¹PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE: **Gloria G. DePina, Chair**
[Attendance & Votes](#) **Matthew Quinones, Vice Chair**
[Report & Video](#) Meeting: Thursday, January 21, 2016
 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Quinones reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Vice Chair Quinones and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Kolenberg, Moore, and Zelinsky. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Caterbone, Coppola, DePina and Giraldo. Also present was Dana Lee, Law Department.

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¹¹ Video Time Stamp 00:50:02

1. [PS29.057](#) ORDINANCE for publication; Amendments to Code §146 - Blight Ordinance. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**
11/13/15 – Submitted by Kathryn Emmett
12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/21/16 – Approved by Committee for publication 4-0-1
01/21/16 – Recommendation by Committee to waive publication 4-1-0

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. No motion to waive publication of Item No. 1 was made.

¹²**PARKS & RECREATION**

COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#)
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Jim Caterbone, Co-Chair

Carl Franzetti, Co-Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, January 20, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Co-Chair Franzetti reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Caterbone and Franzetti and Committee Member Reps. de la Cruz, Giordano, Hoch, Mahoney, McGarry, Pratt and Ryan. Absent or excuse were Committee Member Reps. Heaphy and Wallace. Also present was Frank Fedeli, Citizens Services.

1. [PR29.034](#) REVIEW; Non-Resident Marina Fees Charged by City of Stamford. **REPORT MADE**
08/05/15 – Submitted by Ernie Orgera and Rep. de la Cruz
08/27/15 – Held in Committee
10/01/15 – Held in Committee
10/13/15 – Held at Steering
11/09/15 – Held at Steering
12/22/15 – Report Made and Held
01/20/16 – Report Made & Approval of Resolution, as amended, 7-1-0

¹³**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

Mary Savage, Chair

[Attendance](#)
[Report](#) & [Video](#)

Meeting: Wednesday, January 20, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Savage reported that the Education Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Savage and Committee Member Reps. Buckman, de la Cruz, di Costanzo, Nabel, Quinones and Wallace. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli and Kolenberg. Also present were James Connelly, Interim Superintendent of Schools; Tamu

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Lucero, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; and Bridget Fox and Mara Siladi, representing The Stamford Cradle to Career Alliance.

1. E29.036 REVIEW; Introduction of James A. Connelly, Interim **REPORT MADE**
Superintendent of Schools.
01/06/16 – Submitted by Rep. Savage
01/20/16 – Report Made

2. E29.035 REVIEW; The Stamford Cradle to Career Alliance. **REPORT MADE**
12/08/15 – Submitted by Rep. Quinones
12/14/15 – Held at Steering
01/20/16 – Report Made

3. E29.037 REVIEW; Pedestrian Safety Programs for Stamford **HELD**
School Children: programs currently in effect for
educating students of all ages and their families
about pedestrian safety.
01/06/16 – Submitted by Rep. Di Costanzo
01/20/16 – Held in Committee

Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health

¹⁴HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Elaine Mitchell, Chair

Lila Wallace, Vice Chair

Meeting: Thursday, February 4, 2016

6:00 p.m. – Legislative Chambers

Vice Chair Wallace reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee will be meeting on Thursday, February 4, 2016.

1. HCD29.038 PUBLIC HEARING; of the year 42 CDBG Proposals
(2016-17)
12/30/15 – Submitted by Erik Larson

¹⁵TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair

Rodney Pratt, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2016

7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Vice Chair Pratt reported that the Transportation Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair DeLuca, Vice Chair Pratt and Committee Members Adams, Di

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Costanzo, Franzetti, Giordano, Kolenberg, Moore and Patterson. Also present were Reps. Figueroa and Zelinsky; Ann Brown, Engineering Department; Robert Figueroa, Police Commission; Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations; Josh Benson, Transportation Bureau Chief; Miranda Zhang and Jan Mayo.

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| 1. T29.037 | <p>RESOLUTION and <u>Approval of Public Hearing</u>;
 Establishing Fees for City Owned Garages, Lots and Meters.
 06/05/15 – Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
 07/29/15 – No Action Taken
 08/10/15 – Held in Steering
 09/24/15 – Held in Committee
 10/19/15 – Held in Committee
 11/19/15 – Approved by Committee for Public Hearing
 12/07/15 – Returned to Committee by Full Board
 12/14/15 – Held at Steering
 01/19/16 – Approved by Committee, 8-0-1</p> | APPROVED ON
 CONSENT
 AGENDA |
| 2. T29.049 | <p>ORDINANCE <u>for publication</u>; Amending Chapter 231, Article X, Section 231-73.A to add High Ridge Road @ Bull's Head Plaza.
 01/02/16 – Submitted by Rep. DeLuca
 01/19/16 – Approved by Committee, 9-0-0</p> | APPROVED ON
 CONSENT
 AGENDA |
| 3. T29.045 | <p>REVIEW; Loss of On-Street Parking on East Main Street due to Urban Transitway Project.
 12/10/15 – Submitted by Josh Benson
 01/19/16 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |
| 4. T29.047 | <p>REVIEW; City of Stamford Proposed Speed Hump Policy.
 12/16/15 – Submitted by Transportation Advisory Committee
 01/19/16 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |
| 5. T29.048 | <p>REVIEW; City of Stamford Proposed No Truck Sign Installation Policy
 12/16/15 – Submitted by Transportation Advisory Committee
 01/19/16 – Report Made</p> | REPORT MADE |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 2, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

¹⁶STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Brien Buckman, Chair

[Attendance](#)
[Report](#) & [Video](#)

Tuesday, January 12, 2016
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Buckman reported that the State & Commerce Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Buckman and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Miller, Pratt and Watkins. Absent or excused was Committee Member Rep. Summerville. Also present were Reps. Ryan and Zelinsky; Chief of Staff Michael Pollard; and Libby Carlson, Special Assistant to the Mayor.

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| 1. SC29.032 | REVIEW; 2016 State Legislative Initiatives | REPORT MADE |
| | 11/03/15 – Submitted by Rep. Buckman | |
| | 11/30/15 – Public Hearing held | |
| | 11/30/15 – Held in Committee | |
| | 12/09/15 – Held in Committee | |
| | 01/12/16 – Report Made | |

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

STAMFORD WATER QUALITY

Susan Nabel, Chair
Gail Okun, Vice Chair

Chair Nabel reported that the Stamford Water Quality Committee did not meet and there was no report.

COST SAVINGS & REVENUE ENHANCEMENT

Frank Cerasoli, Co-Chair
Keith Silver, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Silver reported that the Cost Savings & Revenue Enhancement Committee did not meet and there was no report.

PERFORMANCE METRICS

Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair
David Watkins, Co-Chair

Co-Chair Watkins reported that the Performance Metrics Committee did not meet and there was no report.

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MINUTES

1. [January 4, 2016 Regular Board Meeting](#)

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

A motion to approve the January 4, 2016 minutes was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

President Skigen adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

This meeting is on [video](#).