

*The Regular Meeting of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford met on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.*

# MINUTES

**INVOCATION:** Delivered by Jonathan Jacobson [12<sup>th</sup> District].

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Led by President Curtis.

**ROLL CALL:** Conducted by Clerk Cottrell. There were 35 members present and 5 members absent or excused. (Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Garst, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Moore, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Watkins were present; Reps. Ley and Moore were excused; Reps. Baxter, Jean-Louis, and Stella were absent at roll call). Rep. Stella joined the meeting immediately after roll call; Rep. Jean-Louis joined the meeting at 9:00 p.m.; Rep. Ley joined the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:** For the late Eric Rosenson, from the 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Representatives; Alfred "Al" Sansaverino by Rep. Fedeli.

## COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Representatives Bewkes and Berns are celebrating Birthdays this month
2. The invocation for the February Board Meeting will be the responsibility of the representatives from the 13<sup>th</sup> District (Reps. Goldberg and Morson). Representatives are responsible for notifying the Board office with the name of the person doing the invocation.
3. The deadline for the Steering Committee Agenda is Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00p.m.
4. The Steering Committee meeting will be on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
5. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
6. The Board office will be closed on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>
7. If you need assistance with Zoom during the meeting, please call: [REDACTED] to speak with IT. Please do not call other members of the Board or the Board office. If you are having problems speaking or hearing with your computer, you can always access the meeting through a telephone by dialing the phone number on the Agenda - 1-646-558-8656, and using the Webinar ID on the agenda: 814 7054 1826. Please call or text IT at [REDACTED] or text the Clerk at 475-489-5435 to let us know you are coming on, with the phone number you are using, and we will make sure you are able to speak during the meeting.

8. If you do not respond during a roll call vote, your name will be called 2 more times after the conclusion of the vote. If you do not respond, you will be assumed to have left the meeting and your name will not be called on the next roll call vote.
9. If you decide to leave the meeting, you must text the Clerk when you leave. If you need to leave the meeting for a short period, text the Clerk when you leave and return. Members who do not text the Clerk when they leave the meeting will be presumed to be present for all consent items.

## **HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION:** Kieran Matthew Edmonson spoke about high energy costs and repairs to the Yerwood Center; Frances Lane spoke about public safety outreach; Sue Halpern spoke about the public safety liaison position, prior outreach efforts, and the need for community engagement; Jere Eaton spoke about the need to repair the roof of the Yerwood Center; Barry Michelson spoke about property valuations and tax increases.

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **STEERING COMMITTEE:**

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Meeting: Monday, December 12, 2022  
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

### **APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:**

**Denis W. Patterson, Chair**  
**Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair**

**FISCAL COMMITTEE:**

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**Monica Di Costanzo, Co-Chair**  
**Lindsey Miller, Co-Chair**

Meeting: Monday, December 19, 2022  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by  
webinar

Co-Chair Miller reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance in person were Co-Chairs Miller and Di Costanzo, and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli and Morson. In attendance electronically were Committee Member Reps. Boeger, Figueroa, Garst, Nabel, and Tomas. Absent were Reps. Coleman and Pierre-Louis. Also present electronically were Reps. de la Cruz, Ley, and Summerville, Matthew Quinones, Director of Operations; Larry Pignataro, Competitive Energy Services; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Shawn Reed, Chief Building Official; William Brink and Ann Brown, WPCA; Sandra Dennies, Director of Administration; Anthony Romano, OPM; Nette Compton, Mill River Collaborative; and Greg Stackpole, Assessor.

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| 1. <a href="#">F31.159</a><br>\$595,314.00   | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);<br>Global Price of Energy Increase; Gas and Electric –<br>(Source of Funds: Contingency)<br>11/30/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br>12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br><b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b>                                                                                                            |
| 2. <a href="#">F31.160</a><br>\$475,000.00   | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);<br>Hunt Center Demolition; Chief Building Official has<br>determined that Building at 39 Courtland Avenue has<br>met the Criteria for Immediate Danger and has<br>ordered the demolition. (Source of Funds: Fund<br>Balance)<br>11/30/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br>12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br><b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 8-0-1</b>                                                                                                                                                         | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> ( <i>Reps.<br/>de la Cruz,<br/>Figueroa, Pavia,<br/>Sherwood, Stella,<br/>and Walston<br/>abstaining</i> ) |
| 3. <a href="#">F31.147</a><br>\$4,500,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);<br>CP1455 – WPCA; Primary Sludge De-Gritting<br>System; Existing De-Gritting System has to be<br>Replaced with More Efficient System for Separating<br>the Grit from the Primary Sludge; Additional Request<br>due to Inclusion of Primary Clarifier Arm and Drive<br>Unit Replacement and Inflation Costs (Source of<br>Funds: Bond (WPCA)).<br>11/02/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br>11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br>12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br><b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 5-0-4</b> | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> ( <i>Reps.<br/>Sherwood and<br/>Tomas abstaining</i> )                                                     |

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| 4. <a href="#">F31.148</a>                   | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Water Pollution Control Project CP1455 Primary Sludge De-Gritting System.<br/> 12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 5-0-4</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b> (<i>Rep. Sherwood abstaining</i>)</p> |
| 5. <a href="#">F31.149</a><br>\$1,880,000.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C22046; WPCA; Perna Lane Area Sewers; Properties in the Neighborhood of Perna Lane have Failing Septic Systems. Phase I of the Sewer Project will serve Properties on the Eastside of High Ridge Road between Perna Lane and Merritt Parkway. (Source of Funds: Bond (WPCA)).<br/> 11/08/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p> | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>                                   |
| 6. <a href="#">F31.150</a>                   | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Water Pollution Control Project C22046 Perna Lane Area Sewers.<br/> 12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>                                   |
| 7. <a href="#">F31.151</a><br>\$3,600,000.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP0124; WPCA; Upgrade the Plant Water Pumps and Strainer System and Replace Existing Return Activated Sludge (RAS) Pumps for More Efficient Operation (Source of Funds: Bond (WPCA)).<br/> 11/08/22 - Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 6-0-3</b></p>                                                                                         | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b></p>                                   |
| 8. <a href="#">F31.152</a>                   | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Water Pollution Control Project CP0124 Replacement of Plant Water and RAS Pumps.<br/> 12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 6-0-3</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b> (<i>Rep. Sherwood abstaining</i>)</p> |

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| 9. <a href="#">F31.153</a><br>\$50,000.00  | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP5025; WPCA Aeration Blowers Upgrade; Upgrade Existing Aeration Blowers to High Efficiency Blowers and Other Improvements to Secondary Treatment Process. (Source of Funds: Bond (WPCA)).</p> <p>11/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                 | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b></p> |
| 10. <a href="#">F31.154</a>                | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 For Water Pollution Control Project CP5025 Aeration Blowers Upgrade.</p> <p>12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b></p> |
| 11. <a href="#">F31.155</a><br>\$50,000.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); CP5147; WPCA; Upgrade Plant Headworks; Upgrade of the Raw Sewage Pump Station at the WPCF Including Screenings Removal, Raw Sewage Pumping and Septage Receiving. (Source of Funds: Bond (WPCA)).</p> <p>11/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                          | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b></p> |
| 12. <a href="#">F31.156</a>                | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Water Pollution Control Project CP5147 Upgrade Plant Headworks.</p> <p>12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b></p> |
| 13. <a href="#">F31.157</a><br>\$50,000.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C71201; WPCA; Upgrade of Ultra-Violet Disinfection System; Ultra-Violet Disinfecting is used to Disinfect Treated Wastewater Prior to Discharging to Long Island Sound; the Existing System has no Built-In Redundancy as Required by CT DEEP Regulations. (Source of Funds: Bond (WPCA)).</p> <p>11/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/> 11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/> 12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p> | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>THE CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b></p> |

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| 14. <a href="#">F31.158</a>                | <p><b>RESOLUTION</b>; Amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Water Pollution Control Project C71201 Upgrade of Ultra-Violet Disinfection System.<br/>         12/02/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/>         12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                          | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b> (Rep. Coleman abstaining)</p>  |
| 15. <a href="#">F31.161</a><br>\$83,488.00 | <p>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); C5B613; BOE District Wide Boiler and Burner Replacement; Eversource Energy Efficient Services Incentive Rebate for Rippowam Middle School Boiler Plant Replacement Project.<br/>         11/08/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/>         11/22/22 – Approved by Planning Board<br/>         12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0</b></p> | <p><b>APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA</b> (Rep. Cottrell abstaining)</p> |
| 16. <a href="#">F31.102</a>                | <p>REVIEW; Mill River Park TIF Revenues and Long-Term Capital Needs.<br/>         10/21/22 – Submitted by Rep. Miller<br/>         11/28/22 – Report Made &amp; Held by Committee 8-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Report Made</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>REPORT MADE</b></p>                                               |
| 17. F31.162                                | <p>REVIEW; Update on Current Property Revaluation.<br/>         12/05/22 – Submitted by Reps. Fedeli, Di Costanzo, and Miller<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Report Made &amp; Held by Committee 8-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>HELD</b></p>                                                      |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Items No. 1-15, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES**

**COMMITTEE:**

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**Phil Berns, Co-Chair**

**Susan Nabel, Co-Chair**

Meeting: Tuesday, December 27, 2022  
 7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Co-Chair Nabel reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Nabel and Berns, and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Jacobson, Matheny, and Miller. Excused were Reps. Boeger, Cottrell, and Sherwood. Also present were Reps. Summerville and Walston; and Carmen Hughes, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

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| 1. <a href="#">LR31.038</a> | <p><b>ORDINANCE</b> for public hearing and final adoption;<br/>         Declaring Juneteenth a City Holiday.<br/>         11/08/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons<br/>         11/29/22 – Approved by Committee 7-0-1<br/> <b>12/27/22 – Approved by Committee, as amended<br/>         6-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p><b>APPROVED ON<br/>         THE CONSENT<br/>         AGENDA</b> (<i>Reps.<br/>         Boeger and<br/>         Figueroa<br/>         abstaining</i>)</p> |
| 2. <a href="#">LR31.033</a> | <p>ORDINANCE for publication; Amending <a href="#">Chapter 164<br/>         of the Code of Ordinances, Noise</a>, § 164-3, Definitions<br/>         and Proposed §164-6a, including Restrictions on<br/>         Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers.<br/>         08/03/22 – Submitted by Reps. Nabel, Berns and<br/>         Mays<br/>         08/23/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0<br/>         09/29/22 –Held by Committee 8-0-0<br/>         10/25/22 – Report Made &amp; Held by Committee 6-0-0<br/>         11/29/22 – Held by Committee 8-0-0<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0</b></p>                                          | <p><b>HELD</b></p>                                                                                                                                          |
| 3. LR31.041                 | <p>ORDINANCE for publication; Amending <a href="#">Chapter 164<br/>         of the Code of Ordinances, Noise</a>, §164-10, Violations<br/>         and Penalties. [Split from <a href="#">LR31.033</a>]<br/>         12/07/22 – Submitted by Reps. Nabel, Berns and<br/>         Mays<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <p><b>HELD</b></p>                                                                                                                                          |
| 4. LR31.042                 | <p>ORDINANCE for publication; Amending <a href="#">Chapter 164<br/>         of the Code of Ordinances, Noise</a>, §164-5.E,<br/>         Violations and Penalties – Exemptions and Special<br/>         Conditions; Subsections 1 and 5, and other<br/>         miscellaneous changes to §§ 164-3, Definitions; 164-<br/>         4, Noise Level Measurement Procedures; 164-6,<br/>         Prohibited Noise Activities; and 164-9, Inspections.<br/>         [Split from <a href="#">LR31.033</a>]<br/>         12/07/22 – Submitted by Reps. Nabel, Berns and<br/>         Mays<br/> <b>12/19/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0</b></p> | <p><b>HELD</b></p>                                                                                                                                          |

5. [LR31.018](#) APPROVAL; Amendment to the Board of Representatives Rules of Procedure to Amend Section II.B.1 to Establish a Postage Mailing Allowance to Facilitate Representatives' Broader Communication with Constituents. **HELD**
- 02/09/22 – Submitted by Reps. de la Cruz, Morson, and Sherwood
- 03/01/22 – Held by Committee 8-0-0
- 03/29/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0
- 04/26/22 – Held by Committee 8-0-0
- 06/27/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0
- 07/11/22 – Moved to Pending
- 09/29/22 –Held by Committee 8-0-0
- 10/25/22 –Held by Committee 6-0-0
- 11/29/22 – Held by Committee 7-0-0
- 12/19/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0**

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

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**

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**Anabel Figueroa, Chair**  
**Mary Fedeli, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Wednesday, December 21, 2022  
 7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Figueroa reported that the Personnel Committee met at the above date and time. In attendance were Chair Figueroa, Vice Chair Fedeli, and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Berns, Goldberg, Jean-Louis, Mays, Patterson and Pavia. Also present were Reps. Baxter, Campbell, Coleman, Curtis, Di Costanzo, Grunberger, Miller, Moore, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, and Walston; Bridget Fox, Mayor's Office; Doug Dalena, Legal Dept.; Al Cava, Human Resources; Dr. Tamu Lucero, Ryan Fealey, Chris Soules, and Andy George, BOE; Attorney Thomas Mooney, Shipman & Goodwin; and five members of the public.

1. [P31.027](#) ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 40 of the Code of Ordinances, to add Article LIV, Sections 40-198 Through 40-201– Public Safety Community Engagement Liaison. **FAILED BY A VOTE OF 14-21-2**
- 09/27/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
- 10/17/22 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0
- 11/07/22 – Held by Full Board
- 11/21/22 – Held by Committee 5-3-0
- 12/21/22 – Approved by Committee 5-3-1**

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded and failed by a roll call vote of 14-21-2. (Reps. Adams, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Mays, Miller, Morson, Patterson, Sandford, Shaw and Watkins in favor; Reps. Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Coleman, Curtis, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Garst, Jean-Louis, Matheny, Nabel, Pavia, Pierre-Louis,



Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, and Walston opposed; Reps. Berns and Cottrell abstaining).

2. [P31.029](#) REJECTION; Tentative Agreement between the Stamford Board of Education and the Stamford Administration Unit, July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026.  
12/06/22 – Submitted by Chris Soules  
11/28/22 – Negative Advisory Opinion Issued by Board of Finance  
**12/19/22 – Failed in Committee 3-5-0** **REJECTED BY A VOTE OF 23-7-6**

Rep. Pavia recused himself from all discussion of Item No. 2. A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and was approved, therefore rejecting the contract, by a roll call vote of 23-7-6. (Reps. Bewkes, Boeger, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Jacobson, Jean-Louis, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Nabel, Patterson, Pollack, Saftic, Sandford, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Walston, and Watkins in favor of rejection; Reps. Adams, Coleman, Cottrell, Goldberg, Grunberger, Morson, and Shaw opposed to the rejection; and Reps. Berns, Campbell, Garst, Pierre-Louis, Roqueta, and Tomas abstaining).

3. P31.030 REVIEW; [Sec. C3-10-4](#) – Temporary Absence or Disability of the Mayor – Compensation of the Acting Mayor. **REPORT MADE**  
12/07/22 – Submitted by Rep. Stella  
**12/19/22 – Report Made**

A motion to suspend the rules to take up Item No. P31.031 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote (*Rep. Campbell abstaining*).

***Under a Suspension of the Rules:***

4. [P31.031](#) REJECTION; Tentative Agreement between the City of Stamford and Stamford BOE Employees Association - Custodian & Maintenance Workers July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2025 with Reopener Provisions for 2021-25. **REJECTION FAILED BY A VOTE OF 0-34-3**  
12/19/22 – Submitted by Chris Soules  
12/08/22 – [Positive Advisory Opinion](#) Issued by Board of Finance  
**12/19/22 – Failed in Committee 0-7-0**

A motion to approve Item No. 4 was made, seconded, and failed, therefore not rejecting the contract, by a roll call vote of 0-34-3. (Reps. Adams, Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Jean-Louis, Matheny, Mays, Miller, Morson, Nabel, Patterson, Pavia, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Watkins opposed; and Reps. Campbell, Garst and Pierre-Louis abstaining).

## LAND USE/URBAN

### REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

**Bradley Bewkes, Chair**  
**Nina Sherwood, Vice Chair**

Chair Bewkes reported that there was no meeting of the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee and no report.

### OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

**Virgil de la Cruz, Chair**  
**Sean Boeger, Vice Chair**

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Meeting: Thursday, December 29, 2022  
6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Chair de la Cruz report the Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair de la Cruz, Vice Chair Boeger, and Committee Member Reps. Baxter, Coleman, Ley, Sherwood, Stella, Tomas, and Watkins. Also present were Reps. Adams, Campbell, Matheny, Miller, Morson, Pavia, Summerville, and Walston; Lou Casolo, Engineering Dept.; and three members of the public.

1. [O31.022](#)      APPROVAL; Agreement between City of Stamford and Antinozzi Associates P.C. for HVAC Units & Roof Replacement at the Yerwood Community Center (a/k/a the Boys & Girls Club), 300 West Main Street (Under RFP No. 868).  
11/23/22 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons  
12/07/22 – Approved by Board of Finance 5-0-1  
**12/29/22 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0**      **HELD BY A VOTE OF 31-6-0.**

A motion to postpone Item No. 1 until the next Board meeting was made, seconded, and failed by a vote of 6-31-1. (Reps. Berns, Di Costanzo, Garst, Mays, Miller, and Patterson and in favor; Reps. Adams, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jean-Louis, Ley, Matheny, Morson, Nabel, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Watkins opposed; Rep. Jacobson abstaining).

A motion to hold was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 31-6-0. (Reps. Berns, Bewkes, Boeger, Campbell, Coleman, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Di Costanzo, Fedeli, Figueroa, Garst, Gilbride, Jacobson, Jean-Louis, Matheny, Miller, Morson, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, and Watkins in favor; Reps. Adams, Goldberg, Ley, Mays, Nabel and Sandford opposed)

2. O31.017            REVIEW; Stamford Transfer Station Operations and    **HELD**  
Possibility of Increasing Fees for Non-Residential  
and Commercial Businesses using the Transfer  
Station.  
07/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Stella and Curtis  
07/18/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0  
08/15/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0  
09/12/22 – Moved to Pending  
10/17/22 –Held by Committee 8-0-0  
**12/29/22 –Held by Committee 9-0-0**
3. O31.018            REVIEW; West Main Street Bridge.                            **HELD**  
08/03/22 – Submitted by Director Quinones  
08/15/22 – Report Made & Held by Committee 7-0-0  
09/12/22 – Moved to Pending  
**12/29/22 –Held by Committee 9-0-0**

**PUBLIC SAFETY &  
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

**Jeffrey Stella, Chair  
Eric Morson, Vice Chair**

Chair Stella reported that there was no meeting of the Public Safety & Health Committee and no report.

**PARKS & RECREATION  
COMMITTEE:**

**Jennifer Matheny, Chair  
Daniel R. Sandford, Vice Chair**

Chair Matheny reported that there was no meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee and no report.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

**Megan Cottrell, Chair  
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair**

Chair Cottrell reported that there was no meeting of the Education Committee and no report.

## HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/

### SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

**Mavina Moore, Co-Chair**

**Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair**

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Meeting: Tuesday, December 27, 2022

6:30 p.m. – by Webinar

Co-Chair Roqueta reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Service Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chairs Roqueta and Moore; and Committee Member Reps. Baxter, Campbell, Ley, and Pollack. Excused was Rep. Goldberg. Also present were Reps. Adams, Coleman, and Walston; Emily Gordon, Director of Housing and Community Development; and members of the public.

1. [HCD31.029](#) PUBLIC HEARING; Public Hearing for HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for Year 47. **REPORT MADE**  
12/07/22 – Submitted by Emily Gordon  
**12/27/22 – Public Hearing Held**
  
2. [HCD31.030](#) APPROVAL; Approval of HOME-ARP Allocation Plan for Year 47. **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**  
12/07/22 – Submitted by Emily Gordon  
**12/27/22 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0**
  
3. [HCD31.026](#) REVIEW and APPROVAL; Year 49 CDBG Budgeting Schedule. **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**  
11/08/22 – Submitted by Emily Gordon  
11/29/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0  
**12/27/22 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0**
  
4. HCD31.027 REVIEW; Method for Addressing Complaints, Violations, and Potential Violations with Regard to the BMR program. **HELD**  
12/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Moore, Roqueta, Sherwood, Figueroa, Campbell, Walston, and de la Cruz  
**12/27/22 – HELD**
  
5. HCD31.028 REVIEW; Steps Needed to Centralize the Management and Administration of the BMR Program under the Authority of a Single Entity. **HELD**  
12/06/22 – Submitted by Reps. Moore, Roqueta, Sherwood, Figueroa, Campbell, and Walston  
**12/27/22 – HELD**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Items No. 2 and 3, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

**David Watkins, Chair**

**Terry Adams, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Tuesday, December 20, 2022

7:00 p.m. – by Webinar

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Chair Watkins reported that the Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Watkins, Vice Chair Adams, and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Gilbride, Grunberger, Moore, and Sandford. Also present were Rep. Summerville; Mayor Simmons; Lou DeRubeis, Director of Public Safety, Health, and Welfare; and Frank Petise and Luke Bittenwieser, Transportation, Traffic and Parking Bureau.

- 1. [T31.018](#)                      REVIEW; Pedestrian Safety in 2022, Including                      **REPORT MADE**  
Remedial Plans Going Forward and the  
Implementation of Vision Zero  
12/06/22 – Submitted by Rep. Watkins  
**12/20/22 – Report Made**

**STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE:**

**Fred Pierre-Louis, Chair**

**Jonathan Jacobson, Vice Chair**

Chair Pierre-Louis reported that there was no meeting of the State & Commerce Committee and no report.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE:**

**Jeff Curtis, Co-Chair**

**Bradley Bewkes, Co-Chair**

President Curtis reported that there was no meeting of the State & Commerce Committee and no report.

**OUTSIDE COUNSEL COMMITTEE:**

**Jeff Curtis, Chair**

Meeting: Thursday, January 12, 2022

6:00 p.m. – by Webinar

President Curtis reported that the Outside Counsel Committee will be meeting as indicated above.

1. [OC31.001](#) REVIEW; Status of [High Ridge Real Estate Owner, LLC v Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford.](#)  
05/04/22 – Submitted by President Curtis and Rep. Nabel  
05/31/22 – Held by Committee 8-0-0  
06/13/22 – Moved to Pending

## MINUTES

1. [APPROVAL](#); December 5, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

**APPROVED BY A  
UNANIMOUS  
VOICE VOTE**  
*(Reps. Berns and  
Sherwood  
abstaining)*

President Curtis adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

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