31ST BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES CITY OF STAMFORD

President
JEFF CURTIS
Clerk of the Board
MEGAN COTTRELL

Majority Leader
NINA SHERWOOD

Minority Leader
MARY L. FEDELI

MINUTES

President Curtis called the meeting to order at 8:37 p.m.

President Curtis read the call of the meeting: "We, the undersigned members of the 31st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, and pursuant to Section C2-10-4 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a Special Meeting of said Board of Representatives at the following time and place:

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 8:30 p.m. Legislative Chambers, 4th Floor Government Center 888 Washington Boulevard Stamford, CT 06904-2152

,this meeting will also be held remotely and can be accessed on zoom by computer, tablet, or smartphone at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82274014467 or www.zoom.com – Webinar ID: 822 7401 4467 or by telephone at 646-558-8656 – Webinar ID: 822 7401 4467.

To consider the following

- CENSURE of Representative Carl Weinberg for conduct which impairs the ability of the members to perform the duties of his or her office or substantially impairs public confidence in the Stamford Board of Representatives. 03/12/24 – Submitted by Rep. Stella
- 2. Resolution Recommendation of Representative Carl Weinberg to complete sensitivity training.

Requested by,

Jeffrey Stella Mavina F. Moore Terry B. Adams Sean Boeger Fred Pierre-Louis Robert Roqueta Bonnie Kim Campbell Ines Saftic Nina Sherwood Karen Camporeale Megan Cottrell Christina Strain Annie M. Summerville Virgil De La Cruz Anabel D. Figueroa Carmine Tomas Chanta Graham Kindrea Walston Thomas Kuczynski **Dakary Watkins** Jennifer Matheny

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Jeff Curtis

¹COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Cottrell announced:

- If you are present in Chambers, please remember that turning on your microphone will cut off the
 person speaking and aim the camera at you. If you wish to second a motion, or otherwise speak
 after someone else, please wait until that person has finished speaking before turning on your
 microphone. If you need support with your voting equipment, please let the Clerk know and
 technical support will be provided.
- 2. If you are attending remotely, please remember to log in to the voting software at www.joincloudvote.com using your Unique ID, as emailed to you on March 22nd, and the Meeting ID BOR31.
- 3. If you are attending remotely and need assistance with either Zoom or your voting software, you can call IT at to speak with IT. Please do not call other members of the Board or the Board office staff. 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: 822-7401-4467. Please call or text IT at or text the Clerk at 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.
- 4. If you are attending remotely and 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.
- 5. 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.

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Cottrell. There were 35 members present and 5 members absent or excused (Reps. Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Goldberg, Graham, Jacobson, Ley, Matheny, Mays, Morson, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Pavia, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, David Watkins, and Weinberg were present in person; Reps. Adams, Berns, Grunberger, Kuczynski, Moore, Saftic, and Dakary Watkins were present remotely); Reps. Gilbride, Miller, Jean-Louis were absent or excused. Reps. Fedeli, (in person) and Roqueta (remotely) joined the meeting after roll call for a total of 37 members present and 3 members absent or excused.

PRESENTATION: Rep. de la Cruz

- CENSURE of Representative Carl Weinberg for conduct which impairs the ability of the members to perform the duties of his or her office or substantially impairs public confidence in the Stamford Board of Representatives. 03/12/24 – Submitted by Rep. Stella
- Resolution Recommendation of Representative Carl Weinberg to complete sensitivity training.

A motion to censure Representative Weinberg was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 19-14-2 (Reps. Boeger, Camporeale, Cottrell, Campbell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Graham, Kuczynski, Matheny, Moore, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Sherwood, Saftic, Stella, Strain, Tomas, and Dakary Watkins in favor; Reps. Berns, Fedeli, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Ley, Mays, Morson, Pavia, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, David Watkins, and Weinberg opposed; and Reps. Summerville and Walston abstaining).

A motion to amend the resolution to recommend that the full Board of Representatives complete sensitivity training was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 16-14-2 (Reps. Berns, Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, Fedeli, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Ley, Mays, Morson, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, David Watkins, and Weinberg in favor; Reps. Campbell, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Graham, Kuczynski, Moore, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Sherwood, Saftic, Stella, Strain, Tomas, and Dakary Watkins opposed; Reps. Summerville and Walston abstaining).

A motion to amend the resolution (as submitted by Rep. de la Cruz) to strike all whereas clauses and include only "NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that it is requested that the full Board of Representatives complete sensitivity training through Stamford's Human Resources Department" was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 14-13-1. (Reps. Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, Fedeli, Goldberg, Grunberger, Jacobson, Mays, Morson, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, David Watkins, and Weinberg in favor; Reps. Campbell, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Graham, Kuczynski, Moore, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, and Tomas opposed; Rep. Walston abstaining).

A motion to approve the <u>resolution</u>, as amended, was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 15-11-0. (Reps. Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, Fedeli, Goldberg, Graham, Grunberger, Jacobson, Mays, Morson, Pollack, Sandford, Shaw, David Watkins, and Weinberg in favor; Reps. de la Cruz, Figueroa, Kuczynski, Moore, Patterson, Pierre-Louis, Saftic, Sherwood, Strain, Tomas, and Walston opposed).

ADJOURNMENT:

President Curtis adjourned the meeting at 1:00 a.m.

This meeting is on video.