

The Regular Meeting of the 31st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, February 3, 2025, at 8:00 p.m. and by zoom.

MINUTES

President Curtis called the meeting to order at 9:35 p.m.

INVOCATION: Delivered by Representative Bobby Pavia [17th District].

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

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk Cottrell. Conducted by Clerk Cottrell. There were 37 members present and 3 members absent or excused (Present In Person were Reps: Blank, Boeger, Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Graham, Ley, Matheny, Morson, Patterson, Pollack, Shaw, Sherwood, Stella (Left the meeting at 10:15 p.m.), Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Vandervoort, Walston (Left the meeting at 10:15 p.m.), Watkins, Weinberg, and Williams. Remote were Reps: Adams, Berns, Campbell, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Kuczynski, Mays (left the meeting at 10:20 p.m.), Moore, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Roqueta, and Saftic. Absent or Excused were Reps.: Baines, Grunberger and Sandford

VOTING MACHINE STATUS: N/A

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (1) Retired Stamford Police Officer Andrew J. Perniciaro, Jr. (2) retired Stamford Firefighter James J. Hogan, Sr. (3) Mrs. May Jo Baxter (4) Reverend Perry of Union Baptist Church (5) Victims of the Washington, D.C. helicopter and plane crash (6) Victims of the Philadelphia, PA plane crash

COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Cottrell announced:

1. The deadline for the Steering Committee Agenda is Wednesday, February 5th at 5:00 p.m. Please submit all items for Steering to BOR_officestaff@stamfordct.gov.
2. The Steering Committee meeting will be on Monday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m.
3. The next regular Board meeting will be on Monday, March 3rd at 8:00 p.m.
4. The Board office will be closed on Monday, February 17th.
5. Representatives Goldberg and Summerville are celebrating birthdays this month.
6. The invocation for the March Board Meeting will be the responsibility of the representatives from the 18th District (Reps. Camporeale and Grunberger). Representatives are responsible for notifying the Board office with the name of the person doing the invocation.
7. All votes at tonight's meeting will be conducted by roll call. We will no longer be using the TownVote voting software due to significant issues experienced during recent meetings.

8. If you need assistance with Zoom you can call IT at [REDACTED]. 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: *814 7054 1826*. Please call or text IT at [REDACTED] or text the Clerk at [REDACTED] 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.
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.
10. 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.

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS: N/A

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION: Session was opened at 9:48 p.m. Four members of the public spoke, via remote: (1) Kieran Edmondson (2) Ryan El-Ouardighi (3) Dave Adams (4) Gina Calabrese. Session was closed at 9:59 p.m.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#)
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Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

[Attendance & Votes](#)
[Minutes & Video](#)

Denis W. Patterson, Chair
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, January 29, 2025
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by
webinar

Chair Patterson reported that the Appointments Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Patterson-in person, Vice-Chair Shaw-in person, and Committee Member Reps. Baines-remote, Figueroa-remote, Kuczynski-remote, Pavia-in person, Summerville-remote, and Walston-in person. Also in attendance were Reps. Campbell, Fedeli, Mays, Morson, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Vandervoort, and Weinberg. Absent or excused was Rep. Grunberger.

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| 1. A31.160 | ORDINANCE for public hearing and final adoption;
Establishing the Order in which Expirations and Vacancies are Filled on Boards and Commissions. (please refer to A31.124 for history).
11/07/24 – Submitted by Rep. Stella and Sherwood
11/19/24 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0
12/02/24 – Approved for publication 23-10-1
12/09/24 – Moved to Pending
01/29/25 – Approved as amended by Committee 7-1-0 | APPROVED
BY ROLL
CALL VOTE
24-13-0 |
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A Motion to approve Item no. 1 was made, seconded and approved by a roll call vote of 24-13-0 (Reps. Berns, Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Curtis, de la Cruz, Figueroa, Graham, Kuczynski, Matheny, Moore, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Roqueta, Saftic, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Walston, Watkins and Williams voted yes; Reps. Adams, Blank, Cottrell, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Ley, Mays, Morson, Pollack, Shaw, Vandervoort and Weinberg voted nay)

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| 2. A31.171 | School Building Committee
Jackie Heftman (D) <i>Repl. King (D) Exp. 12/1/2021</i>
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 12/1/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 4-3-1 | APPROVED
BY ROLL
CALL VOTE
20-12-5 |
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A Motion to approve Item no. 2 was made, seconded and approved by a roll call vote of 20-12-5 (Reps. Adams, Berns, Blank, Cottrell, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Gilbride, Goldberg, Ley, Mays, Morson, Patterson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Shaw, Vandervoort, Watkins and Weinberg voted yes; Reps. Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Figueroa, Graham, Kuczynski, Sherwood, Stella, Strain, Tomas, Walston, and Williams voted nay; Reps. Curtis, Matheny, Moore, Saftic and Summerville abstained)

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| 3. A31.174 | Police Commission
Carlo Leone (D) <i>Repl. Findeisen (D) 11/30/2025</i>
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 11/30/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA
(Rep. Boeger
abstained) |
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| 4. A31.161 | <p>Golf Commission
 Angelo Ripegno (R) <i>Repl. Vera (R) Exp. 12/1/23</i>
 Term Expires: 12/1/2027
 12/04/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
 12/17/24 – No Action Taken
 01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON THE
 CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 5. A31.164 | <p>Golf Commission
 Myron Smith (D) <i>Repl. Tedesco (D) Exp. 12/1/2021</i>
 Stamford, CT 06902
 Term Expires: 12/1/2027
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
 01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON THE
 CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 6. A31.165 | <p>Golf Commission
 Michael Briscoe (D) <i>Reappointment</i>
 Stamford, CT 06907
 Term Expires: 12/1/2025
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
 01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON THE
 CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 7. A31.166 | <p>Environmental Protection Board
 Laura Tessier (D) <i>Reappointment</i>
 Stamford, CT 06903
 Term Expires: 12/1/2025
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
 01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON THE
 CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 8. A31.167 | <p>Environmental Protection Board
 Stephen Schneider (D) <i>Repl. Ley (D) Exp. 12/1/2021</i>
 Stamford, CT 06902
 Term Expires: 12/1/2027
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
 01/29/25 – No Action Taken</p> | <p>NO ACTION
 TAKEN</p> |
| 9. A31.168 | <p>Economic Development Commission
 Beth Fraikorn (D) <i>Repl. Diamond (D) Exp. 12/1/2013</i>
 Stamford, CT 06903
 Term Expires: 12/1/2025
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
 01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0</p> | <p>APPROVED
 ON THE
 CONSENT
 AGENDA</p> |
| 10. A31.169 | <p>Economic Development Commission
 Richard Evanko (R) <i>Repl. Feeney (R) Exp. 12/1/2022</i>
 Stamford, CT 06907
 Term Expires: 12/1/2025
 1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons</p> | <p>APPROVED
 BY ROLL
 CALL VOTE
 33-1-1</p> |

01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-1-0

A Motion to approve Item no. 10 was made, seconded and approved by a roll call vote of 33-1-1 (Reps. Adams, Berns, Blank, Boeger, Campbell, Camporeale, Cottrell, Curtis, de la Cruz, Fedeli, Figueroa, Gilbride, Goldberg, Graham, Kuczynski, Ley, Matheny, Mays, Moore, Morson, Pavia, Pierre-Louis, Pollack, Roqueta, Saftic, Shaw, Strain, Summerville, Tomas, Vandervoort, Watkins, Weinberg and Williams voted yes; Rep. Sherwood voted nay; Rep. Patterson abstained)

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| 11. A31.170 | Urban Redevelopment Commission
Richard Evanko (R) <i>Reappointment</i>
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/1/2027
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 6-0-1 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA
<i>(Rep.
Sherwood
abstained)</i> |
| 12. A31.172 | Patriotic and Special Events Commission
Thomas Bouchard (I) <i>Repl. Kaplan (D) Exp. 12/1/20</i>
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/1/2026
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 13. A31.173 | Harbor Management Commission
John Malloy (D) <i>Repl. W. Malloy (D) Exp. 12/1/22</i>
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/1/2025
1/8/2025 - Submitted by Mayor Caroline Simmons
01/29/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA
<i>(Rep.
Sherwood
abstained)</i> |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 3-7, 9, 11-13, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

[Attendance & Votes](#)
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Sean Boeger, Co-Chair

Mary Fedeli, Co-Chair

Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2025

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room and by webinar

Co-Chair Boeger reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Boeger, Co-Chair Fedeli, and Committee Member Reps. Camporeale, Graham, Morson, Shaw, Tomas, and Vandervoort. Absent or excused were Committee Members Reps. Figueroa, Goldberg, and Pierre-Louis. Also in attendance was Rep. Summerville; Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Tyler Theder, MS4 Compliance Officer; and members of the public.

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| 1. F31.497
\$1,250,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);
Project: 001424; Stamford Bioswales Initiative;
Operations, Stormwater Management; The City of
Stamford Bioswales Initiative will expand the footprint of | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
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green infrastructure through the City; the Intent of this project is to protect and improve ecological and human health.

12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons

12/17/24 – Approved by the Planning Board

01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0

01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0

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| 2. F31.498 | RESOLUTION; Amending the Capital Budget for FY24/25 by adding an appropriation of \$1,250,00.00 for the Stamford Bioswales Initiative and authorize \$250,000.00 General Obligation bonds of the City to meet said appropriation.
12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 3. F31.499 | GRANT RESOLUTION; Authorizing the mayor to enter into and sign agreements with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Stamford Bioswales Initiative Project
12/16/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 4. F31.500
\$48,554.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Stamford Police Department; JAG 24 Overtime for First Responder Training on how to work with veterans in mental distress.
12/13/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 7-0-1 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA
<i>(Reps. Boeger & Figueroa abstained)</i> |
| 5. F31.501 | GRANT RESOLUTION; Authorizing the Mayor to sign an Agreement with the Department of Justice.
12/13/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 6. F31.502
\$1,091,949.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Grants Dept: State EOC; Child Day Care Administration, Grant Award was larger than anticipated
12/27/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 7. F31.503
\$339,296.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Grants Dept: State EOC; Child Day Care Administration, Grant Award was larger than anticipated
12/27/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED
ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1-7, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES
COMMITTEE:**

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Phil Berns, Chair

Sean Boeger, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

ViceChair Boeger reported that the Fiscal Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Vice Chair Boeger, and Committee Member Reps. Cottrell, Fedeli, Matheny, Sherwood, and Vandervoort. Also in attendance were Reps. Camporeale, de la Cruz, Summerville, and Walston; Dana Lee, Corporate Counsel. Absent or excused were Chair Phil Berns, Reps. Blank, and Pierre-Louis.

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| 1. LR31.091 | ORDINANCE for discussion; on banning the sale, provision, and distribution of single use plastic products in food and beverage establishments.
01/06/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale, Cottrell and de la Cruz
01/28/25 – Recommitted to Steering | RECOMMENDED
TO STEERING |
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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Mary Fedeli, Chair

Bobby Pavia, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2025

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Fedeli reported that the Personnel Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Fedeli, Vice Chair Pavia and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Berns, Cottrell, Figueroa, Goldberg, and Williams. Rep. Patterson was absent. Also in attendance were Reps. Camporeale, Summerville, and Walston; Dr. Paula Russell, Director of Human Resources; Lou DeRubeis, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare; Michael Tomas, Law Dept., and members of the public.

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| 1. P31.064 | ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 40 of the Code of Ordinances, to add Article LV, Sections 40-199 through 40-202 - Director of Emergency Communications Center
12/20/24 – Submitted by Director Paula Russell
01/21/25 – Approved by Committee 8-0-0 | APPROVED ON
THE CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. P31.065 | APPROVAL; of an employment agreement with Brian Faughnan for Director of Emergency Communications Center for the City of Stamford
01/06/25 – Submitted by Director Paula Russell
01/21/25 – Held by Committee 8-0-0 | HELD |

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

**LAND USE/URBAN
REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Nina Sherwood, Co-Chair
Carmine Tomas, Co-Chair

Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Co-Chair Tomas reported that the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Tomas, Co-Chair Sherwood and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Campbell, Camporeale, de la Cruz, Kuczynski, Matheny, Mays, and Summerville. Also in attendance were Reps. Graham, Strain, Walston; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Cindy Barber, GIS Coordinator; Burt Rosenberg, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Elizabeth Turner, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Jonathan Gottlieb, President Rippowam Corporation, and Mike Robles, Assistant Fire Chief. Absent or excused was Committee Member Rep. Grunberger.

1. [LU31.048](#) RESOLUTION for public Hearing; renaming a portion of Ursula Place as Courtney Nelthropp Way.
11/21/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/22/25 – Approved by Committee 9-0-0 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

2. [LU31.049](#) APPROVAL; of an agreement between the City of Stamford and KUCERA International Inc. for Geographic Information system (GIS) aerial mapping to provide high resolution GIS orthophotography and planimetric date capture
12/20/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/24 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0 (amount adjusted to \$197,500.00)
01/22/25 – Approved by Committee 9-0-1 **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

3. [LU31.043](#) REVIEW; Widening of Garden Street between Henry Street and Dock Street.
08/12/24 – Submitted by Rep. Adams
08/21/24 – Recommended to Steering 8-0-0
09/18/24 – Held by Committee
10/24/24 – Recommended to Steering 11-0-0
11/20/24 – Recommended to Steering 8-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/22/25 – Recommended to Steering 10-0-0 **HELD**

4. LU31.050 REVIEW; of the CT HB No. 5474 – specifically in regards to reviewing a “new” State law passed on October 1, 2024 explicitly authorizing municipalities, by vote of their legislative bodies to adopt an ordinance regulating the operation and use of short-term rental properties.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Rep. Graham
01/22/25 – Recommended to Steering 10-0-0 **RECOMMENDED TO STEERING**

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

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)
[Minutes](#) & [Video](#)

Virgil de la Cruz, Chair

Carmine Tomas, Vice Chair

Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2025

6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair de la Cruz reported that the Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair de la Cruz, Vice-Chair Tomas and Committee Member Reps. Boeger, Graham, Ley, Mays, Sherwood, Stella, and Watkins. Also in attendance were Rep. Walston; Lou Casolo, City Engineer; Tyler Theder, Regulatory Compliance and Administrative Officer; Scott Butch, Director of Facilities and Sustainability, Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Joshua Noggle, Building Systems Engineer; Frank Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief, and Anthony Vitti, A. Vitti Excavators.

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| 1. O31.018 | REVIEW; West Main Street Bridge.
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
01/09/23 – Moved to Pending
10/16/23 – Report Made and Recommitted to Steering by Committee 5-0-0
11/20/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Committee 9-0-0
12/11/23 – Moved to Pending
09/16/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
10/21/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering | REPORT
MADE |
| 2. O31.056 | REVIEW; Status of Cedar Heights Road Bridge.
05/07/24 – Submitted by Rep. Berns
05/20/24 – Recommitted to Steering 8-0-0
06/17/24 – No Action Taken
07/15/24 – Held at Steering
08/12/24 – Held at Steering
09/16/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
10/21/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering | REPORT
MADE |
| 3. O31.061 | REVIEW; schedule of Street Cleaning on the West Side of Stamford.
10/10/24 – Submitted by Rep. Walson
10/21/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering
01/23/25 – Final Report Made 9-0-0 | REPORT
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| 4. O31.038 | REVIEW; Status of plans to replace multiple gas fired HVAC units with fewer heat pumps units and installation of solar panels on the roof of the Yerwood Community Center.
10/05/23 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz
10/16/23 – Report Made and Recommitted to Steering by Committee 5-0-0
11/13/23 – Moved to Pending
01/17/24 – Held by Committee
02/26/24 – Report Made & Recommitted to Steering by Committee 7-2-0
03/11/24 – Held at Steering
04/15/24 – Report Made
05/06/24 – Recommitted to Steering by Full Board
05/13/24 – Moved to Pending
10/21/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
11/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 6-0-0
12/09/24 – Held at Steering | REPORT
MADE |
| 5. O31.063 | REVIEW; Boccuzzi Park Master Plan Implementation including: Status of Phase 1- components completed and expenditure to date; Remaining Phase 1 components and cost estimate; Detailed scope of Vitti Phase 1D contract, cost, payments to date, source of funding, work completed to date, and estimated completion date; Available funding at this time and sources; Phase 2 components and cost estimates; Replacement of dilapidated fence between private back yards and park grounds; Projected time to completion of Master Plan Implementation.
01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz | REPORT
MADE |
| 6. O31.066 | REVIEW; of a flooding incident at the Lathon Wider Center on Henry Street
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Graham and Adams | REPORT
MADE |
| 7. O31.067 | REVIEW; Funding sources for Capital Budget item CP9238; Yerwood Center Renovations; Operations: Engineering; Building interior renovations; structural repairs and improvements.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Rep. de la Cruz | REPORT
MADE |

**PUBLIC SAFETY &
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

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

Jeffrey Stella, Chair

Eric Morson, Vice Chair

Meeting: Thursday, January 30, 2025

6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

Vice Chair Morson reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Stella and Committee Member Reps. Campbell, Camporeale, and Graham. Absent or excused were Vice Chair Morson and Committee Members Reps. Berns, Pavia, Pollack, and Roqueta. Also in attendance were Reps. Adams, Matheny, and Summerville;

Lou DeRubeis, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare; Stamford Police Sergeant Jeff Booth; Jody Bishop-Pullan, Director of Health & Human Services; and members of the public.

1. PS31.060 REVIEW; Need for more Park Police
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken **NO ACTION TAKEN**
2. PS31.049 REVIEW; Park Police Staffing and Park Enforcement for 2024
12/06/23 - Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken **NO ACTION TAKEN**

As a Secondary Committee: Parks and Recreation

3. PS31.061 REVIEW; High speed Driving/Street racing by highly modified vehicles in the City of Stamford and what can we do to address it.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – No Action Taken **NO ACTION TAKEN**
4. PS31.063 REVIEW; of warming centers and their policies on accepting animals.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale, Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – Report Made **REPORT MADE**
5. PS31.064 REVIEW; hunting regulations within Stamford, including clarification on whether hunting with firearms is permitted and the process for granting hunting permissions on private properties.
01/08/25 – Submitted by Reps. Camporeale Curtis and Stella
01/30/25 – Report Made **REPORT MADE**

- 6.PS31.002 REVIEW; Administration Plans to pursue Air Quality Monitoring as Proposed in Resolution 4081. (Previously PS30.092) **NO ACTION TAKEN**
- 12/08/21 – Submitted by Reps. de la Cruz and Berns
 12/13/21 – Moved to Pending
 03/01/23 – Report Made
 03/06/23 – Recommitted to Steering at Board Meeting by Unanimous Voice Vote
 03/13/23 – Moved to Pending
 04/20/22 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
 05/18/22 – No Action Taken
 06/13/22 – Moved to Pending
 05/18/23 – Report Made
 06/05/23 – Recommitted to Steering by Full Board
 06/12/23 – Moved to Pending
 08/24/28 – No Action Taken
 09/21/23 – Report Made & Recommitted to Steering, 6-0-1
 10/26/23- Report Made and Recommitted to Steering 5-0-0
 11/13/23 – Moved to Pending
10/30/24 – Recommitted to Steering 7-0-0
11/12/24 – Moved to Pending
01/30/25 – No Action Taken

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:
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Jennifer Matheny, Chair
Daniel R. Sandford, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2025
 7:00 p.m. –By webinar

Chair Matheny reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Matheny and Committee Member Reps. de la Cruz, Kuczynski, and Weinberg. Also in attendance were Reps. Moore, Summerville, Tomas, Walston; Peter Gould, Park Police Coordinator; Melanie Hollas, Parks & Recreation Commission Chair; Kevin Murray, Director of Parks and Recreation; Christopher Baker, Stamford Police Captain; Tom Lombardo, Stamford Police Captain, and Angelo Fusaro, Stamford Little League Secretary. Absent or excused were Reps. Gilbride, Saftic, and Sandford.

1. PR31.040 REVIEW AND APPROVAL; Of the Stamford Little League's proposal to upgrade scoreboards at Scalzi and Springdale Park fields. **APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**
 01/08/25 – Submitted By Rep. Matheny
01/27/25 – Approved by Committee 4-0-0
2. PR31.039 REVIEW; of Scalzi Park quality of life concerns, to include: Park hours modification; Feasibility and cost estimate of installing a gate at the entrance/exit of park; Install multilingual signs indicating park regulations; Feasibility and cost estimate to add additional traffic calming methods **RECOMMITTED TO STEERING**
 01/08/25 – Submitted By Reps. Matheny, Curtis and Moore

01/27/25 – Recommitted to Steering

3. [PR31.031](#) REVIEW; Parking Practices at Scalzi Park. **RECOMMITTED TO STEERING**
03/07/24– Submitted by Rep. Moore
04/18/24 – Recommitted to Steering 5-0-0
05/13/24 – Moved to Pending
01/27/25 – Recommitted to Steering

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

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

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Megan Cottrell, Chair
Ramya Shaw, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, January 30, 2025
7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Cottrell reported that the Education Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Cottrell, Vice-Chair Shaw and Committee Member Reps. Pierre-Louis, Strain, Weinberg, and Williams. Also in attendance were Rep. Summerville; Tamu Lucero, Superintendent of SPS; Ryan Fealey, SPS Director of Finance; Lori Rhodes, Associate Superintendent for SPS High School, and Alec Logman, Assistant Director of Technology Integration & Online Assessment. Absent or excused was Rep. Baines.

1. E31.042 REVIEW; status of the high school flexible schedule for next school year. **REPORT MADE**
01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. Cottrell
2. E31.043 REVIEW; overview of the highlights of the FY25-26 Board of Education budget. **REPORT MADE**
01/07/25 – Submitted by Rep. Cottrell
3. [E31.044](#) REVIEW; Powerschool systems breach of 12/28/24: its potential impact on the personal information of Stamford students, families and educators, and SPS' review and response to the incident. **REPORT MADE**
01/08/255 – Submitted by Rep. Williams
4. E31.041 REVIEW; status of free lunch program **REPORT MADE**
10/31/24 – Submitted by T. Lucero and R. Fealey
11/12/24 – Moved to Pending

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

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Mavina Moore, Co-Chair
Rob Roqueta, Co-Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, January 28, 2025
6:30 p.m. – By Webinar

Co-Chair Moore reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Service Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Co-Chair Moore and Committee Member Reps. Ley,

Pollack, Walston, and Williams. Absent or excused were Co-Chair Roqueta and Committee Member Rep. Campbell. Also present were Rep. Summerville; Ralph Blessing, Land Use Bureau Chief; Emily Gordon, Principal Housing Planner; Anita Carpenter, Grants Officer; Moira Sawch, Grants Administrator; and members of the public.

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| 1. HCD31.071 | REJECTION; an Allocation of \$400,000.00 to New Neighborhoods, Inc. for the addition of six new units of affordable housing at Martin Luther King, Jr. Apartments.
12/13/24 – Submitted by R. Blessings
01/28/25 – Rejection Failed in Committee 0-5-0 | REJECTION
FAILED ON THE
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. HCD31.035 | REVIEW; Homeowner/Small Landlord Rehabilitation Program.
02/13/23 – Submitted by Reps. Baxter and Campbell
03/28/23 –Held by Committee
04/25/23 –Held by Committee
05/23/23 – Held by Committee 6-0-0
07/10/23 – Moved to Pending
01/23/24 – Held by Committee 4-0-0
02/12/24 – Held by Steering Committee
01/28/25 – Held in Committee 4-0-0 | HELD |
| 3. HCD31.062 | REVIEW; Potential Workforce Housing for Stamford Residents and Employees
07/02/24 – Submitted by Reps. Pavia and Sherwood
08/12/24 – Moved to Pending
01/28/25 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |

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

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

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David Watkins, Chair

Terry Adams, Vice Chair

Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2025

7:00 p.m. – By Webinar

Chair Watkins reported that the Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Watkins, Vice-Chair Adams and Committee Member Reps. Gilbride, Sandford, and Strain. Also in attendance were President Curtis, Reps. Matheny, Stella; Frank Petise, Transportation Bureau Chief and Luke Buttenwieser, Junior Transportation Planner. Absent or excused were Reps. Grunberger and Moore.

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| 1. T31.039 | APPROVAL; of an Agreement between the City of Stamford and the BETA Group for ADA Public Rights of Way Facilities Inventory, Accessibility Review, and Transition Plan.
12/10/24 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons
01/09/25 – Approved by the Board of Finance 6-0-0
01/21/25 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0 | APPROVED ON
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| 2. T31.040 | REVIEW; Enforcement of parking regulations and the adequacy of enforcement staff thereof.
01/07/25 – Submitted by Reps. Curtis and Stella
01/21/25 – Report Made | REPORT MADE |
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A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1, was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote.

STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Fred Pierre-Louis, Chair
Ashley Ley, Vice Chair

Chair Pierre-Louis reported that there was no meeting & no report to provide.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OUTSIDE COUNSEL/HIGH RIDGE LITIGATION COMMITTEE: Jeff Curtis, Chair
Meeting: TBD

Chair Curtis reported that there was no meeting & no report to provide.

MINUTES

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| 1. | APPROVAL ; January 6, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. | APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Rep. Sherwood abstained) |
| 2. | APPROVAL ; January 14, 2025, Special Board Meeting Minutes | APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA (Reps. Fedeli & Sherwood abstained) |

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

ADJOURNMENT: President Curtis adjourned the meeting at 10:41 p.m.