

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 3, 1998

Meeting to be called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Eriquez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
PRAYER

ROLL CALL

Scalzo, McAllister, Arconti, Smith, Boynton, Buzaid, D. Esposito,  
Machado, Shuler, Adames, Setaro, J. Esposito, Levy, Abrantes,  
Charles, Basso, Falzone, Fox, Gallagher, Moore, Saracino

20 present 1 absent

PUBLIC SPEAKING

MINUTES - Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held January 6,  
1998

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1 RESOLUTION - Rehabilitation of Apron at Executive Air Services
- 2 RESOLUTION - Aids Grant Amendment 1997-98
- 3 RESOLUTION - March of Dimes
- 4 RESOLUTION - Airport Rotating Beacon Site - Acquisition of Access Properties
- 5 RESOLUTION - Grant-in-Aid Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut
- 6 COMMUNICATION - Commission on Aging Appointment
- 7 COMMUNICATION - Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission
- 8 COMMUNICATION - Reappointments to the Cultural Commission
- 9 COMMUNICATION - Appointment to the Environmental Impact Commission
- 10 COMMUNICATION - Donation to the Library
- 11 COMMUNICATION - Donations to the Department of Elderly Services
- 12 COMMUNICATION - Donation to the Fire Department
- 13 COMMUNICATION - Donation of Digital Fax Machine to the Fire Department
- 14 COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Transfer of Funds - Elderly Services Donations Account

- 15 COMMUNICATION - Request for Funds for Police Department Special Services Account
- 16 COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Litigation Expenses
- 17 COMMUNICATION - Tax Relief - Remediation of Environmentally Impacted Sites
- 18 COMMUNICATION - Report from Corporation Counsel regarding request to Purchase Property on Deerfield Avenue
- 19 COMMUNICATION - Report from Corporation Counsel regarding Bishop Curtis Homes - Former St. Peter's Convent
- 20 COMMUNICATION - Emergency Centralized Dispatch System
- 21 COMMUNICATION - Report from Chief Paquette regarding Speed Limits City Schools
- 22 COMMUNICATION - Request to Declare City Land Adjacent to Schools Non-Surplus
- 23 COMMUNICATION - Request to Purchase City owned Land on Hemlock/Birch Trail
- 24 COMMUNICATION - PAL Bambino Concession/Sewer Installation
- 25 COMMUNICATION - Repair of Water Line - Franklin Street
- 26 COMMUNICATION - Application for Sewer and Water Extension - Briar Ridge Road
- 27 COMMUNICATION - Request for Water Extension - Edgewood Street
- 28 COMMUNICATION - Request for Sewer Extension - Plumtrees Road
- 29 COMMUNICATION - Request for Committee to Investigate Complaints
- 30 COMMUNICATION - Request for Committee to Investigate Housing Authority Complaints
- 31 DEPARTMENT REPORTS - Fire Chief, Fire Marshall, Police Chief, Highway Department, Engineering, Health and Housing, Welfare, Department of Elderly Services, Public Utilities including Landfill, Equipment Maintenance
- 32 REPORT & RESOLUTION - Resolution in Support of the Tourism District
- 33 REPORT - West King Street
- 34 REPORT - Water and Sewer Bills for 4 Division Street

- 35 REPORT - Request from MCAA to Purchase City Land on Hospital Avenue

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- 36 REPORT - Donation of Lights for Rogers Park from Bambino Baseball League

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- 37 PROGRESS REPORT - Ordinance defining and regulating breeding of dangerous animals

There being no further business to come before the Common Council a motion was made at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. by \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting to be adjourned.

CONSENT CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 3, 1998

- Approve application and resolution for State Department of Public Health Services AIDS Prevention Grant in an amount not to exceed \$225,794
- Approve application and resolution for March of Dimes Grant for School Based Health Center Program - \$5,000
- Receive communication from Office of Corporation Counsel and approve Resolution authorizing Corporation Counsel to acquire interests in real property relating to rotating airport beacon
- Approve application and resolution on behalf of Regional YMCA Western Connecticut for State DEP Outdoor Recreation Land Acquisition grant
- Confirm appointment of James Derwin as a regular member of the Commission on Aging
- Confirm appointment of Michael Pascuzzi as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission
- Confirm reappointment of Evelyn Durgy, Ada Humphreville, Helen Masterson and Mel Schwartz as members of the Cultural Commission
- Confirm appointment of Manny Furtado as a member of the Environmental Impact Commission
- Approve transfer of \$1,506 from Elderly Services Account to Commission on Aging budget for professional services and office supplies
- Approve appropriation of \$375,000 to Police Department Special Services Account
- Receive communication from Corporation Counsel regarding request to purchase property on Deerfield Avenue and take no action pending receipt of property description and title search from petitioner
- Receive report from Police Chief regarding speed limits at City schools
- Receive communication from Superintendent of Public Utilities regarding repair of water line on Franklin Street and approve payment to Mr. Joe Rodrigues of \$2,585 pending certification by the Director of Finance
- Receive report and approve recommendations authorizing Corporation Counsel to acquire certain interests in real property to improve sight lines in the West King Street area
- Receive report and approve recommendations regarding water and sewer bills for number 4 Division Street

- 35 - Receive report and approve recommendations to take no action regarding request from MCCA to purchase land on Hospital Avenue
- 36 - Receive report and approve recommendations to accept donation of lights for Rogers Park from Bambino Baseball subject to rules of operation outlined by Director of Parks and Recreation
- 37 - Receive progress report and approve recommendations regarding Ordinance defining and regulating breeding of dangerous animals



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

DANBURY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
P.O. BOX 2299  
DANBURY, CT. 06813-2299

AIRPORT ADMINISTRATOR  
PAUL D. ESTEFAN  
(203) 797-4624

Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
City of Danbury  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

January 28, 1998

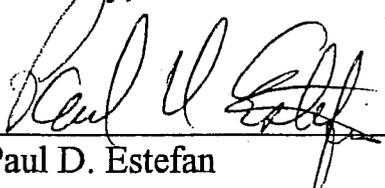
Dear Mayor Eriquez,

Please find enclosed an amended resolution to rehabilitate the apron at Executive Air Services, L.L.C. and to do a wildlife study at the airport.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Joseph S. Montgomery, Owner of Executive Air Services, L.L.C. concerning the City's share of the grant.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Paul D. Estefan  
Airport Administrator

cc: Members Common Council  
file (mayor / Exeapron)

JAN 27 1998

**EXECUTIVE AIR SERVICE**  
49 MIRY BROOK ROAD  
DANBURY, CT 06810  
PHONE (203) 778-1150 FAX (203) 778-2418

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January 26, 1998

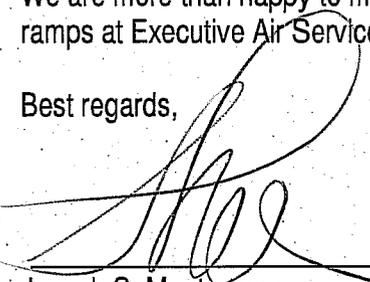
Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

Dear Mayor Eriquez:

We hereby confirm that Executive Air Service intends to pay the city's 2.5% share of the \$1.5 million grant (\$37,500.00) to the city of Danbury as soon as it is requested.

We are more than happy to make this contribution on behalf of the city to improve deteriorating ramps at Executive Air Service and to complete the deer fence around the airport.

Best regards,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph S. Montgomery  
Owner

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Linero  
Manager



# RESOLUTION

**CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

**RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, The Federal Aviation Administration of the United States Department of Transportation and the Bureau of Aeronautics of the Connecticut Department of Transportation make funds available through the Airport Improvement Act of 1987; and

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury intends to rehabilitate the general aviation apron at Executive Air Service, LLC and do a wildlife study at the Danbury Municipal Airport which will improve the safety and efficiency of airport operations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury will make application for a federal and state grant in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 with a local match of two and one-half percent (2 1/2%) equaling an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor of the City of Danbury, Gene F. Eriquez, is hereby authorized to make application for said grant, and that any and all additional acts necessary to effectuate said program be and hereby are authorized.



# CITY OF DANBURY

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DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

**DOMINIC A. SETARO, JR.**  
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

(203) 797-4652  
FAX: (203) 796-1526

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## MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 8, 1998

To: Hon. Gene F. Enriquez  
via the Common Council

From: Noreen C. Buzerak, Grants Administrator/Internal Auditor

Re: Resolution - Aids Grant Amendment 1997 - 1998

Attached is an amended resolution in for your consideration that will allow the City of Danbury to accept \$6,500.00 in additional funding from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Services for the period of July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. This funding will bring the grant total funding to \$225,794.00 and has been awarded to cover the medical costs associated with viral load testing. No local matching funds are required.

I request that the Common Council consider this resolution at its February meeting.

Noreen C. Buzerak  
Attach.

cc: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Kimberly G. Redenz  
D. Torres



## RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Services, through its AIDS Prevention Program, has made grant funds available to full-time health departments to provide HIV health education information and expanded services for the period of July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998; and

WHEREAS, grant funds not to exceed \$225,794 requiring no local match, will be made available to the Danbury Health and Housing Department for its AIDS Risk Reduction Outreach Education Program, HIV Counseling and Testing Services, its Needle Exchange Program and its Ryan White Title II Case Management Program, upon approval of a grant application therefore; and

WHEREAS, the Danbury Health and Housing Department will provide these services to the general public with particular attention given to individuals concerned about possible exposure to HIV, serving both residents and non-residents with no restrictions on who may be served.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor of the City of Danbury or William J. Campbell, Director of Health, as his designee, is authorized to apply for said grant and to accept the grant award on behalf of the City of Danbury, if such award is made. Any prior actions of the Mayor or the Director of Health regarding this application are hereby ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Gene F. Eriquez is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the City of Danbury all contracts/agreements or amendments thereof, which do not require expenditure of City funds, with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Services regarding said grant, and to take all actions necessary to accomplish the purposes of these programs.



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## MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 16, 1998

To: Hon. Gene F. Eriquez  
via the Common Council

From: Noreen C. Buzerak, Grants Administrator/Internal Auditor

Re: Resolution - **March of Dimes**

Attached is a resolution for your consideration in the amount of \$5,000 that will allow the City of Danbury to apply and accept additional funding from the March of Dimes for the period of January 1, 1998 through June 30, 1998. This grant is a continuation of funding and will be used for outreach activities via the Danbury School Based Health Center program. No local matching funds are required.

I request that the Common Council consider this resolution at its February meeting.

Noreen C. Buzerak  
Attach.

cc: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Kimberly G. Redenz  
M. Bonjour

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation  
Northern Metro Chapter  
Application for Community Services Grant

**PROGRAM ACCOUNTING SUMMARY**

Grantee Organization City of Danbury

Program Title Adolescent Prenatal Care Outreach and Education Project

Grant Period January 1, 1998 - December 31, 1998

A. SALARIED PERSONNEL (NAME(S) & TITLE)	AMOUNT
<u>Janice M. Harrison, APRN</u> <u>Nurse Practitioner</u>	<u>\$ 4,275.48</u>
B. EXPENDABLE SUPPLIES (OVER \$100)	
<u>Misc. Educational Pamphlets to be</u> <u>distributed to adolescents receiving</u> <u>services through SBHC</u>	<u>\$ 61.47</u>
C. OTHER EXPENSES (OVER \$100)	
<u>Fringe Benefits @ 12% \$513.05</u>	<u>\$ 663.05</u>
<u>Audit Fee @ 1% \$ 50.00</u>	
<u>Grant Admin. Fee @ 2% \$100.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS ABOVE (A + B + C)</b>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
<b>IN-KIND SERVICES (SALARIED PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT, ETC.) PROVIDED BY GRANTEE ORGANIZATION</b>	<u>\$ ( 997.48)</u>
<u>Individual and Group Counseling</u> <u>Provided by SBHC Social Worker</u> <u>1 hr/wk @ \$22.67 x 44wks.</u>	
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED DURING GRANT PERIOD</b>	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>

Official Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Official's Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

**RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the Northern Metro Chapter, Fairfield County Division of the March of Dimes will accept an application from the Danbury Health and Housing Department for a grant in the amount not to exceed \$5,000. for the period of January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 with no local cash match required; and

WHEREAS, this funding will enable the Health and Housing Department to pursue its goal of preventing birth defects and to improve pregnancy outcomes through the implementation of a collaborative outreach and education program whose primary beneficiaries will be the students and staff of Danbury High School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor of the City of Danbury or William J. Campbell, Director of Health, as his designee, are hereby authorized to apply for said funding, to accept the grant award, if offered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Gene F. Eriquez is hereby authorized to execute all contracts / documents in connection therewith and to do all things necessary to effectuate the purposes of said grant.



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810  
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

February 3, 1998

PLEASE REPLY TO:

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor  
Honorable Members of the Common Council  
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Re: Airport Rotating Beacon Site  
Acquisition of Access Properties  
City of Danbury v. Gemza and Raymond  
City of Danbury v. Priano and Ferraguzzi

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The Common Council had earlier approved a resolution authorizing the Corporation Counsel's Office to acquire interests in and to real property as set forth on the descriptions appended to the resolution, either by negotiation or, if necessary, condemnation proceedings.

State law requires the renewal of this authorization unless condemnation proceedings have occurred within a six month period. In this case, due to unavoidable acquisition delays arising from legal and land use issues, we must ask you to renew this same authorization.

We therefore request that the Council approve the attached resolution at its February 3rd meeting so that matters may continue to go forward.

Very truly yours,

Laszlo L. Pinter  
Assistant Corporation Counsel

LLP/msm

Attachment

c: Kim E. Nolan, Esquire  
Paul D. Estefan, Airport Administrator



# RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

**RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury holds a permanent easement and right of way over a portion of property off Spruce Mountain Trail (rear) shown and described in a certain easement from Doris Jean Gemza to the Town of Danbury dated July 22, 1963, recorded in Volume 393 at Page 565 of the Danbury Land Records on August 8, 1963 and further depicted on Town Clerk Maps No. 3487 and No. 9036; and

WHEREAS, said easement and right of way permitted the Town of Danbury to erect and maintain a rotating airport beacon light, poles, transmission line structures and other appurtenances over, upon, across and under said property of the Grantor; and

WHEREAS, it is now in the best interests of its successor, the City of Danbury, to acquire permanent ownership of said property and additional property known as Parcels "B-1" and "B-2" as set forth on "Map Showing Land to be Acquired by the City of Danbury from Tancy Jean Gemza and Marcie Elyce Gemza and Peter Priano and Susan Ferraguzzi Spruce Mountain Trail, Danbury, Conn. Scale 1" = 40' January 30, 1991" and which property is further described on the attached Schedules "A" and "B"; and

WHEREAS, eminent domain proceedings will be necessary if the City of Danbury cannot agree with the owners of said property upon the amount, if any, to be paid for the respective rights of each to be taken in and to the real property hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL THAT the Corporation Counsel of the City of Danbury is hereby authorized to acquire by August 3, 1998 the property interests now or formerly of Tancy Jean Gemza and Marcie Elyce Gemza and Peter Priano and Susan Ferraguzzi as set forth on the attached Schedules and map, either by negotiation or by eminent domain through the institution of suits with respect to the aforementioned property and the owners thereof, their successors, heirs and assigns and their respective mortgage holders and encumbrancers, if any.



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## MEMORANDUM

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Date: January 27, 1998

To: Hon. Gene F. Enriquez  
via the Common Council

From: Noreen C. Buzarak, Grants Administrator/Internal Auditor

Re: Resolution - **Grant-in-Aid Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut**

Attached for your consideration is a resolution that enables the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut via the City of Danbury to accept funds from the State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection to assist in the acquisition of land known as the Great Hollow Farm. The grant amount of \$400,000 is a pass-through to the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut. No local match is required.

The Common Council is requested to consider this resolution at its February meeting.

*Noreen C. Buzarak*

Noreen C. Buzarak  
Attach.

cc: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Kimberly G. Redenz

SPECIAL ACT #2, 1993  
JUNE SPECIAL SESSION  
AS AMENDED  
SEC 21-26

ITEM NO. 14

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

GRANTS-IN-AID TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR PUBLIC PARKS, RECREATIONAL AND WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS, WATER MAINS AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITIES, INCLUDING SEWER PROJECTS

REQUESTED: An Allocation and Bond  
Authorization (to Agency).....\$400,000

FROM: Sec. 22(a)(6) Acct. No. 1873-3100-132

Total Earmarking	\$12,400,000
Previous Allocations	<u>11,845,000</u>
Balance Unallocated	<u>\$ 555,000</u>

REASON FOR REQUEST:

These funds are requested to provide a grant-in-aid to the City of Danbury, on behalf of the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut, to assist in the acquisition of land in the Towns of New Fairfield and Sherman. The site, known as Great Hollow Farm, consists of 790+ acres of woodland. There is a Wilderness Camp on the site, which the Regional YMCA will continue to operate. The YMCA will also contribute at least 50% of the costs of the acquisition.

Appraisals:

- Frank O'Neill - \$1,200,000 - 8/25/94
- James N. Wright - \$900,000 - 9/16/94
- Jackie Mickiewicz - \$1,130,000 - 11/19/94

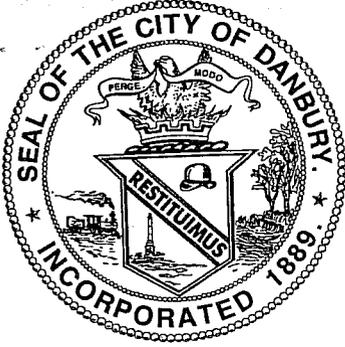
Financing:

Total Acquisition Costs	\$810,000
Less: YMCA Funds	<u>410,000</u>
State Grant, This Request	<u>\$400,000</u>

The release of these funds will be controlled through the allotment process.

This project is subject to the State Conservation and Development Policies Plan and is either in conformity with the Plan or not addressed therein.

As a result of the new restrictions imposed by the 1986 Federal Tax Act, this project has been tentatively classified as "governmental".



# RESOLUTION

**CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

**RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury wishes to extend its municipal corporation classification to assist the State of Connecticut in providing financial assistance to the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, a petition for assistance will be made to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection for an Outdoor Recreation Land Acquisition Grant on behalf of the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut for a project known as Great Hollow Farm Acquisition; and

WHEREAS, if the funding is granted it will be forwarded to the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut which will be the record owners of said project; and

WHEREAS, there no local cash match required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor of the City of Danbury is hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for said grant with the State of Connecticut on behalf of the Regional YMCA of Western Connecticut.



# CITY OF DANBURY

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

GENE F. ERIQUEZ  
MAYOR

(203) 797-4511  
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February 3, 1998

Honorable Members of the Common Council  
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Dear Council Members:

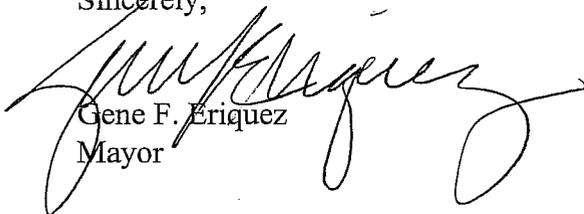
I hereby submit for your confirmation the following individual to serve as a regular member of the Commission on Aging filling an unexpired term:

Mr. James Derwin (U)  
68 Golden Hill Road  
Danbury, Connecticut 06811  
Term to Expire: October 1, 1999

Mr. Derwin is a long time Danbury resident and is presently very active with the Danbury Senior Center. He is willing to serve our community as a member of the Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this appointment

Sincerely,

  
Gene F. Eriquez  
Mayor



RECYCLED  
PAPER



# CITY OF DANBURY

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

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February 3, 1998

Honorable Members of the Common Council  
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Dear Council Members:

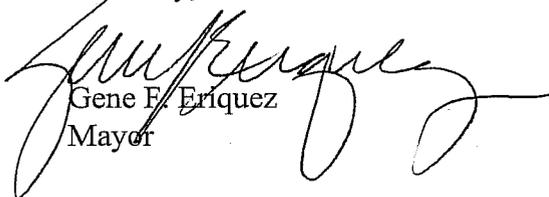
I hereby submit for your confirmation the following individual to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission to fill an unexpired term:

Mr. Michael Pascuzzi (D)  
55 Mill Plain Road #1-3  
Danbury, Connecticut 06811  
Term to Expire: December 1, 1999

Mr. Pascuzzi is a lifelong Danbury resident and has been employed as a professional firefighter for the past 23 years. He has been actively involved with youth activities at Immaculate High School and serves as the school's Athletic Trainer. I believe his extensive involvement and experience will serve the Commission well in this capacity.

Thank you for your consideration to this appointment.

Sincerely,

  
Gene F. Enriquez  
Mayor



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February 3, 1998

Honorable Members of the Common Council  
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Dear Council Members:

I hereby submit for your confirmation the following individuals to be reappointed to the Cultural Commission, with their term to expire on February 1, 2001:

Ms. Evelyn Durgy (R)  
41 Fairview Drive  
Danbury, CT 06810

Ms. Ada Humphreville (D)  
9 Cedar Crest Drive  
Danbury, CT 06811

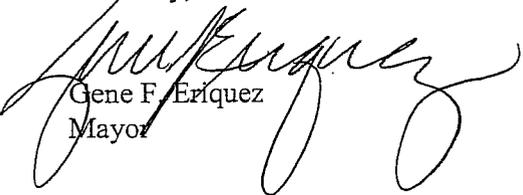
Ms. Helen Masterson (D)  
3 Harbor Ridge Road  
Danbury, CT 06811

Mr. Mel Schwartz (D)  
38 Dana Road  
Danbury, CT 06811

The above people are members of the Cultural Commission in good standing and all have expressed a desire to continue to serve our city in this capacity.

Thank you for your consideration of these reappointments.

Sincerely,

  
Gene F. Enriquez  
Mayor



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Honorable Members of the Common Council  
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Dear Council Members:

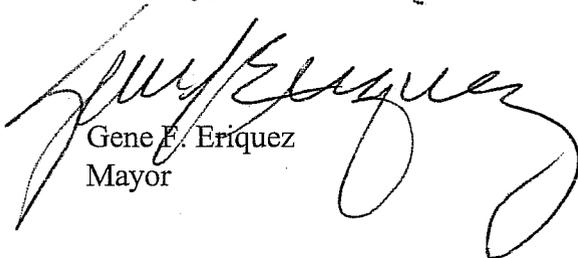
I hereby submit for your confirmation the following individual to serve as a member of the Environmental Impact Commission filling an unexpired term:

Mr. Manny Furtado (D)  
6 Golden Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810  
Term to Expire: December 1, 1998

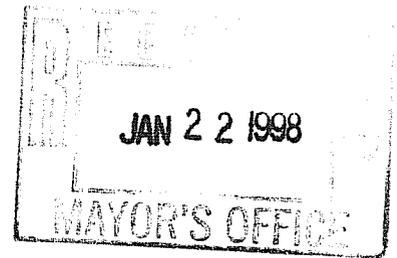
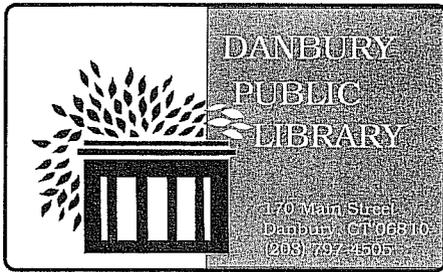
Mr. Furtado is a lifelong resident of Danbury and is an employee of U.S. Filter in Danbury. He is a member of the Sons of Portugal Club and a member of Saint Joseph Church. Mr. Furtado coached PAL soccer for five years. He has served as a member of the Fair Rent Commission and is looking forward to serving the City in this capacity.

Thank you for your consideration of this appointment.

Sincerely,



Gene F. Enriquez  
Mayor



January 22, 1998

Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Ave.  
Danbury, CT 06810

Dear Mayor Eriquez:

We have received a donation from the FRIENDS of the Danbury Library in the amount of \$6,540. These funds will be used to purchase and install ceramic tile from the Library Technology Center connector into the first floor of the main library. The funds need to be credited to the Library Technology Center budget. Please place this item on the agenda for the February Common Council meeting.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth McDonough  
Library Director

C: Dominic Setaro, Director of Finance



# CITY OF DANBURY

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810  
DEPARTMENT OF ELDERLY SERVICES  
COMMISSION ON AGING

**Danbury Senior Center**  
80 Main Street  
(203) 797-4686

**Municipal Agent**  
80 Main Street  
(203) 797-4687

**'Interweave'  
Adult Day Care Center**  
198 Main Street  
(203) 792-4482

Mayor Gene F. Eriquez and  
Members of the Common Council  
City of Danbury  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

January 26, 1998

Mayor Eriquez and Members of the Common Council:

The following donations (\$1360.00) have been sent to the Department of Elderly Services for the use of the Senior Center.

Kent LTD	50.00
Disabled American Vets	250.00
CT Light & Power Co.	100.00
James & Virginia Ogle	500.00
Perritt Laboratories	148.00
Perritt Laboratories	148.00
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Perritt Laboratories	96.00
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Total:	\$1360.00

Kindly approve of these gifts and transfer them into the line items as requested on the accompanying form.

Respectfully,

Leo McIlrath, Director  
Department of Elderly Services



# CITY OF DANBURY

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

Fire Department  
19 New Street

Carmen J. Oliver, Chief  
(203) 796-1550  
Fax (203) 796-1533

**DATE: JANUARY 28, 1998**

**TO: MAYOR GENE F. ERIQUEZ & MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL**

**FROM: CARMEN J. OLIVER, FIRE CHIEF**

**RE: TRAINING COURSES ACCOUNT # 0202110-021001**

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Dear Mayor Eriquez and Members of the Common Council,

We have received a \$100.00 donation resulting from a traffic fine which we have forwarded to the Finance Department. I am requesting that the \$100.00 be transferred to our Training Courses Account - #0202110-021001.

Respectfully,

Carmen J. Oliver  
Fire Chief

CJO/ft

cc: D. Setaro, Jr., Finance Director  
D. Stanton, Finance Dept.

# Memorandum

**DATE:** January 28, 1998  
**TO:** Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
**FROM:** Deputy Fire Chief Peter J. Siecienski  
**RE:** Donation of Digital Fax Machine  
**CC:** Fire Chief C. Oliver, Asst. City Clerk J. Samaha

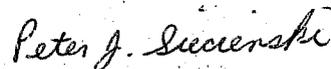
Dear Mayor Eriquez,

I would appreciate the following donation be placed on the February agenda of the Common Council.

The Dex Business Systems Company of Bethel has offered to donate a new Digital Fax machine model DEX 825 to the fire department. This machine would be extremely useful in day to day operations at the fire department. The new machine will replace a portable unit which after approximately 8 years of fixed use is failing.

The value of this donation is \$2,099 (two thousand ninety-nine dollars). I would appreciate a positive endorsement of this donation.

Respectfully submitted,



Peter Siecienski

Deputy Fire Chief



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

**DOMINIC A. SETARO, JR.**  
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

(203) 797-4652  
FAX: (203) 796-1526

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## MEMORANDUM

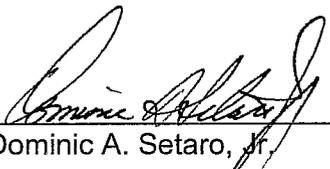
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**DATE:** January 27, 1998  
**TO:** Hon. Gene F. Eriquez via the Common Council  
**FROM:** Dominic A. Setaro, Jr., Director of Finance  
**RE:** Commission on Aging

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the availability of \$1,506.00 to be transferred from the Elderly Services Donations Revenue Account to the Commission on Aging budget to the following accounts:

Professional Services-Fees	02-05-167-020100	\$ 500.00
Office Supplies	02-05-167-040100	1,006.00

  
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Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.

DAS/jgb



# CITY OF DANBURY

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810  
DEPARTMENT OF ELDERLY SERVICES  
COMMISSION ON AGING

**Danbury Senior Center**  
80 Main Street  
(203) 797-4686

**Municipal Agent**  
80 Main Street  
(203) 797-4687

**"Interweave"**  
**Adult Day Care Center**  
198 Main Street  
(203) 792-4482

Date: 02/225/98

MEMO TO: Hon. Gene F. Eriquez  
via the Common Council

FROM: Leo McIlrath, Director  
Elderly Services

RE: Reappropriation of Donated Funds

I hereby request a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1506.00 from the Elderly Services donations account to the Commission on Aging budget for the following accounts:

500.00-Professional Service Fees - 02-05-167-020100  
\$1006.00-Office Supplies - 02-05-167-040100

I have been advised by the Director of Finance that these funds exist in my account, and he will provide you with his certification.

Leo McIlrath

LM/jg

cc: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Director of Finance



**CITY OF DANBURY**  
**DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**120 MAIN STREET**

**ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF**  
**(203) 797-4614**

January 2, 1998

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Elizabeth Crudginton, City Clerk  
Members of the Common Council

From: Chief Robert L. Paquette

Subject: Appropriation Request for Police Special Services 011011

I am requesting that a minimum of \$375,000 be additionally appropriated to the 1997/98 fiscal year police budget, specifically the police special services funding account.

\$425,000 was originally appropriated for police special services for fiscal year 1997/98, but due to the high demand for police contractual services additional funds are now needed. Weekly the Danbury Police Department invoices the private sector for requested contractual services. When the funds are collected, they are an indirect revenue for the City of Danbury.

Thank you for your anticipated consideration in the approval of these needed funds.

  
Robert L. Paquette  
Chief of Police

RLP:ks

c: Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

January 21, 1998

PLEASE REPLY TO:

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor  
Honorable Members of the Common Council  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Re: Litigation Expenses

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Since the December 1997 Common Council meeting I have been carefully monitoring our expenditures relating to ongoing litigation, including but not limited to Accashian et al. v. City of Danbury et al. (the landfill case), Union Carbide Corporation v. City of Danbury (tax appeal) and Pahaham et al. v. Danbury Police Department (concerning training and promotion). As I indicated to you then, in order to continue our aggressive defense of the city's interests in these matters additional funding will be necessary.

After thorough discussions with our litigation team and after reviewing the status of our accounts and projections with the Director of Finance and his staff, I have concluded that in order to sustain the level of effort that these matters will require, we can anticipate additional expenditures, over and above existing funding, of two hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$215,000.00). This conclusion is premised on several assumptions, including our expectation that the city will obtain reimbursement for some or all of our costs in connection with the landfill litigation. Indeed, we are in the midst of ongoing dialogues with several insurance companies in that regard.

Based upon the foregoing, I hereby request that the Common Council approve an appropriation of two hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$215,000.00) and a transfer of those funds, with one hundred and sixty five thousand dollars (\$165,000.00) going to our account number 020108 -- Litigation Special and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) going to account number 029500 -- Outside Services. While it is impossible to know what our actual expenses will be given the many variables involved, not the least of which is the extent of insurance reimbursement mentioned above, we believe that this appropriation will be adequate to fund our work for the balance of the fiscal year. Indeed, it is our hope that we will once again return a substantial portion of this sum to the general fund at the close of the fiscal year (remember that we returned almost forty thousand dollars ((\$40,000.00)) to the general fund at the close of the last fiscal year). If at any time I obtain information which leads me to believe otherwise, I will advise you at once.

Once again, I truly appreciate your support and assistance as we undertake the defense of the city in these important matters.

Sincerely,

Eric L. Gottschalk  
Acting Corporation Counsel

c: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr., Director of Finance



# CITY OF DANBURY

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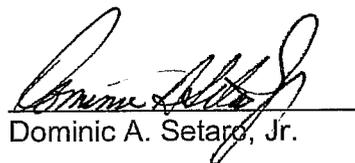
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**DATE:** January 26, 1998  
**TO:** Hon. Gene F. Eriquez via the Common Council  
**FROM:** Dominic A. Setaro, Jr., Director of Finance  
**RE:** Litigation Expenses  
**CC:** Eric Gottschalk

### CERTIFICATION

As per the request of Corporation Counsel Eric Gottschalk, I hereby certify the availability of \$165,000.00 to be transferred to the Litigation Special Account #02-01-150-020108 and \$50,000.00 to be transferred to the Outside Services Account #02-01-150-029500. An offsetting revenue adjustment of \$215,000.00 will be made from the Mashantucket Pequot Fund Account #02-65-000-529404.

  
Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.

DAS/jgb



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

January 28, 1998

PLEASE REPLY TO:

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Common Council Members  
City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Re: Tax Relief -- Remediation of Environmentally Impacted Sites

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

It is our intention to present an ordinance to you on this month's agenda that provides real property tax relief to owners who undertake environmental remediation of their property. Public Act 97-109 creates the opportunity to offer tax abatements to owners of eligible properties while redevelopment and remediation activities proceed, for periods of up to seven years. To be eligible for this program, property owners of environmentally impacted sites must enter into agreements with the city in which they agree to undertake environmental site assessments, demolition, remediation or other clean-up activities on their property and otherwise meet the criteria established in the ordinance.

Such an ordinance, if adopted, would provide yet another means of encouraging economic development, which has been the hallmark of this administration. Coupling the potential growth of the Danbury economy with the potential for remediation of environmentally troubled properties represents an opportunity that should not be overlooked. By way of example, it has come to my attention that Belimo Controls, a Swiss based company with national headquarters here in Danbury, is one company that would be interested in taking advantage of such an ordinance if the Common Council were to adopt it. Clearly, our efforts to retain this important and growing manufacturing business at their new home, the site of the former Medallic Arts Building on Ridgebury Road, now known as the Belimo Building, will be dramatically enhanced if local property tax relief is available.

It is our intention to present a draft of the proposed ordinance to you in time for you to review it at your caucuses on Monday evening. We ask that you then consider it in the normal course at the Common Council meeting on Tuesday. I look forward to discussing the matter with you in greater detail at the appropriate time.

Sincerely,

Eric L. Gottschalk  
Acting Corporation Counsel



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810  
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

PLEASE REPLY TO:

January 28, 1998

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Members of the Common Council  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Re: January 1998 Agenda Item No. 26, Deerfield Avenue - Request to Purchase Property

Dear Mayor and Council:

The above matter was referred to this office for a report. We have reviewed both the report from the Planning Commission and the letter to you from the Office of the City Engineer dated November 18, 1997.

In accordance with the suggestion of the City Engineer in his letter to you, we have reviewed the procedure in the event the Council decides to transfer property on this portion of Deerfield Avenue to the petitioner, Mr. Casali. In order to determine whether the City has an ownership interest in the property to allow for a transfer or sale, two things are initially required:

1. An identifiable request from the petitioner describing by survey or other means exactly what property he seeks to have transferred to him. Although there is a general request made, it is not clear from the petitioner's request what specific portion of Deerfield Avenue he seeks title to.

2. Upon identification of the property requested, a title search should be commissioned by the petitioner and provided to the City to determine ownership. It appears at this point that a portion of this road has been maintained by the City over a period of time (there may also be an issue of access rights to a lot or lots to the immediate west of the subject property). If that is the case, and the portion of the road requested is to be transferred to Mr. Casali, you will have to act formally to discontinue that portion, and subsequently quitclaim any municipal interest to the petitioner. There is some precedent for that process, and we can advise you concerning that procedure at that time.

Upon the satisfaction of the above two items, and based upon the Planning Commission's prior approval of the transfer subject to certain conditions, we can prepare language in the documents of transfer and submit them to you so that you may act to discontinue such portion of Deerfield Avenue as is required, and approve the documents and the sale, if that is your decision.

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call us.

Very truly yours,

Laszlo L. Pinter  
Assistant Corporation Counsel

c: Jack A. Schwietzer, Director of Public Works  
Dennis I. Elpern, Director of Planning

§ 18-8

TAXATION

§ 18-10

State law reference—Appeals to board of tax review, authority of board on appeal, §§ 12-111—12-115, Conn. Gen. Stats. (Rev. 1958).

**Sec. 18-9. Same—Reductions in assessments.**

The board of tax review may reduce the list of any person by reducing the valuation, number, quantity or amount of any item of estate therein, or erasing therefrom any item which ought not to be retained in it, but shall not reduce the list of any person who shall not offer to be sworn before them and answer all questions touching his taxable property. (Code 1925, § 222)

State law reference—Section 12-114, Conn. Gen. Stats. (Rev. 1958), provides that the board of tax review shall not reduce the list of any person who has failed to turn in his sworn list as required by law.

**Sec. 18-10. Abatement of property tax for low or moderate income persons.**

(a) Upon the written request of an owner of housing rented or to be rented solely to low or moderate income persons or families, the City of Danbury may provide for the abatement in part or in whole of real property taxes on any such housing, all in accordance with the provisions of Section 8-215 et seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes (1958 Revision), provided that such abatement shall be used for one or more of the following purposes:

- (1) To reduce rents below the level which would be achieved in the absence of such abatement or
- (2) To improve the quality and design of such housing, or
- (3) To effect occupancy of such housing by persons and families of varying income levels with limits determined by the City of Danbury, or
- (4) To provide necessary related facilities or services in such housing.

(b) Such abatement shall be pursuant to a contract between the municipality and owners of any such housing, which contract shall provide the terms of said abatement, that moneys equal to the amount of such abatement shall be used for any one or more of the purposes herein stated, and that such abatement shall terminate at any time when such housing is not used and occupied solely as a residence for low or moderate income persons or families, whereupon the tax collector of the City of Danbury is authorized and empowered to apply such agreed upon tax abatement to the tax based upon the assessment. Said contract shall set forth legal boundary description of the real property being used for the aforesaid purposes.

(c) Such written request for tax abatement shall be first made to a tax abatement committee composed of the director of finance, the corporation counsel and the tax assessor together with a proposed contract between such owner and the city. Such tax abatement committee shall ascertain the factors upon which a tax abatement may be granted in each case, including among other considerations the amount of reimbursement for such tax abatement from the State of Connecticut for which the city is eligible. The committee shall then determine the amount of tax abatement to be granted and forward such contract to the mayor's office and then to the proper city boards, together with the reasons for its decision, for review and approval. The tax abatement committee shall, in addition, be responsible for an annual review to determine if the premises to which a tax abatement has been granted remains eligible for such tax abatement according to the terms of the contract between the owner and the city, and shall notify the tax collector of the city of any termination of such tax abatement, such termination of the tax abatement to be effective as of the date that said property shall have ceased to be eligible for such tax abatement. (Ord. No. 157, §§ 1-3, 2-2-71; Ord. No. 412, 3-5-91)

**Editor's note**—Ord. No. 157 did not expressly amend this Code, hence inclusion of §§ 1-3 as § 18-10 was at the editor's discretion.



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

January 28, 1998

PLEASE REPLY TO:

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Common Council Members  
City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Re: Bishop Curtis Homes -- Former St. Peter's Convent

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

At the January Common Council meeting a letter from Robert N. Talarico, Esq. was received in which Mr. Talarico asked the Council to consider the approval of a tax abatement for his client, Bishop Curtis Homes. As you know, Bishop Curtis Homes has been engaged in the renovation of the former St. Peter's Convent and intends to devote the premises to use as non-profit housing for elderly citizens of low and moderate income. The request was referred to my office for review and I am now prepared to report my findings to you.

As indicated by Mr. Talarico in his letter to you, when this property was converted from church use to use as subsidized housing for elderly citizens of low and moderate income, it lost its tax exempt status pursuant to the provisions of section 12-81(7) of the Connecticut General Statutes. Mr. Talarico's client wishes to keep the cost of this project at a level that will permit it to be self sustaining while keeping rental rates at an affordable level. One means of helping to insure that this project is economically viable is to provide for an abatement of the tax that would otherwise be due, either in whole or in part.

Such an approach is possible pursuant to the provisions of section 8-215 of the Connecticut General Statutes which were adopted by the city in 1971 and codified as Danbury Code of Ordinances §18-10, a copy of which is attached for your review. As you can see from the language of §18-10, every dollar saved by a property owner as a result of an abatement of taxes must be used for one or more of the purposes described in the ordinance. Mr. Talarico has indicated that his client intends to use these funds to reduce rental rates.

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Common Council Members  
January 28, 1998

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Subsection 18-10(c) establishes a tax abatement committee consisting of the director of finance, the corporation counsel and the tax assessor. Each request for tax abatement under this section must be considered by this committee, which must then forward its report and decision, and when appropriate a proposed contract if the decision is favorable, to the Mayor and then to the Common Council for review and approval. Accordingly, I recommend that this matter be referred to the tax abatement committee for its consideration.

Sincerely,



Eric L. Gottschalk  
Acting Corporation Counsel

cc: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Director of Finance

Robert Coyne  
Tax Assessor

Robert N. Talarico, Esq.



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE

DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

COMMON COUNCIL

February 3, 1998

Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Members of the Common Council

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

I request that an ad hoc committee be appointed to investigate the feasibility of creating an emergency centralized dispatch system for the City of Danbury. The intent is to have a committee composed of no less than five, nor more than seven, Common Council Members in addition to the appropriate department heads and others as needed.

The creation of a centralized dispatch system should be looked into as it would enhance public safety for the residents of the City of Danbury.

Sincerely yours,

Paul McAllister  
Council Member - 2nd Ward

**DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Administrative Center  
63 Beaver Brook Road  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810-6211  
(203) 797-4701  
FAX (203) 790-2875  
FAX (203) 830-6560

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**Timothy P. Connors**  
Superintendent of Schools

January 20, 1998

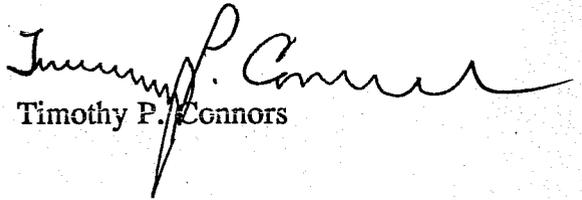
Chief Robert Paquette  
Danbury Police Department  
Main Street  
Danbury, Ct. 06810

Dear Chief Paquette:

I read in the Common Council minutes that the speed limit of 20 miles per hour within 500 yards of every school was established in 1946 and expired on January 1, 1998.

If you need any information from us regarding the speed limit, we are available.

Sincerely,

  
Timothy P. Connors

TPC/fm  
Cc: Mayor Eriquez



**CITY OF DANBURY**  
**DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**120 MAIN STREET**

**ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF**  
**(203) 797-4614**

January 20, 1998

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Members of the Common Council  
Attn.: Mr. Louis Charles

From: Chief Robert L. Paquette

Subject: **Speed Limits - City Schools**

Reference is made to the request of Councilman Louis Charles regarding the establishment of speed limit uniformity (25 MPH) in the vicinity of City schools. By letters dated December 8, 1997, I requested that the City Traffic Engineer conduct an evaluation of the speed limits in the vicinity of city schools. Enclosed please find his report dated January 7, 1998 containing his comments and recommendations.

Previously it was reported that in most instances a blanket 20 MPH limit was in effect on school roadways, (500 feet in front of each school), under authority of a 1946 blanket S.T.C. authority. This authority expired on January 1, 1998. It was this blanket 1946 authority that was in conflict with other S.T.C. approvals setting most speed limits on roadways in the vicinity of City schools at 25 MPH. This conflict has been corrected by the automatic expiration of the 1946 blanket authority.

It was originally believed that the original 20 MPH would be the most prudent speed limit in the vicinity of city schools, however, after further evaluation 25 MPH seems the most realistic. State authorities are of the belief that the lower limit would breed contempt of the speed limit for the conscientious driver and largely be unenforceable. In summary, the 25 MPH limitation is prudent, fair and in the interest of public safety and welfare.

I would request that you review the attached report as submitted by the City's Traffic Engineer, Abdul B. Mohamed, and if there are any issues or questions, to contact me so that I may address your concerns appropriately.



Robert L. Paquette  
Chief of Police



**CITY OF DANBURY**  
155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

**ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT**  
(203) 797-4641

**JOHN A. SCHWEITZER, JR., P.E.**  
CITY ENGINEER

January 7, 1998

MEMO TO: Robert L. Paquette  
Police Chief

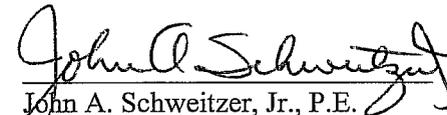
FROM: John A. Schweitzer, Jr., P.E.  
Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Speed Limits - Vicinities of City Schools

Enclosed please find a copy of the report prepared by Traffic Engineer Abdul B. Mohamed in response to your December 8, 1997 memo.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

  
John A. Schweitzer, Jr., P.E.  
Director of Public Works

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encl.

c: Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor, with encl.



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**JOHN A. SCHWEITZER, JR., P.E.**  
**CITY ENGINEER**

January 7, 1998

MEMO TO: John A. Schweitzer, Jr., P.E.  
Director of Public Works

FROM: Abdul B. Mohamed  
Traffic Engineer

SUBJECT: **School Area Speed Limits**

Memo dated December 8, 1997 from Chief Robert L. Paquette regarding the above noted subject has been reviewed. The following comments and recommendations are provided:

A. Background Information:

During the December 2, 1997 Common Council meeting, Councilman Louis Charles, Jr. requested an amendment to the City's traffic laws so as to require all streets located within school areas to be regulated for a speed limit of 25 MPH. The Councilman's objective is to minimize or eliminate the frequency of potential traffic accidents that may involve school children. The request was referred to Chief Robert Paquette and subsequently to this office for field investigations and evaluations.

B. Current Speed Limits:

An inventory of the speed limits that are currently regulated within school zones has been taken and the STC approvals relative to the subject have been reviewed. The findings indicate that almost all roadways located within school areas are regulated for 25 MPH. Some of the roadways have specific speed limits and others have speed limits regulated based on an STC blanket certificate. The blanket certificate permitted all streets within the City limits to be 25 MPH unless posted otherwise.

It should be noted that the STC blanket certification has recently been abandoned and, therefore, specific speed limit certification for each street has been applied. Attached please find copy of letter dated December 30, 1997 from the STC acknowledging receipt of the application. Detailed information on the current speed limits for roadways located within close proximity of the City's private and public schools is as follows:

School/Street Name	Existing Posted Speed Limit	STC Certificate No.
Alternative High School Locust Avenue	25	80
Broadview Middle School Hospital Avenue	25	1187
Danbury High School East Gate Road	25	826
Beckerle Street	25	826
Clapboard Ridge Road	25 (Advisory)	State DOT
Immanuel Lutheran School Bank Street	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Foster Street	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Great Plain Rd. School Stadley Rough Road	25	1056
Hayestown Ave. School/ Henry Abbot Tech. Tamarack Avenue	25	1176
Hayestown Avenue	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Immaculate High School Southern Boulevard	25	814
Jefferson Avenue	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Mill Ridge Schools Mill Ridge Road	25	1276
Morris Street School Davis Street	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Morris Street	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Tomlinson Avenue	None (Blanket)	Pending
Park Avenue School Park Avenue	25 (Blanket)	Pending
Pembroke School Pembroke Road	25 (Advisory)	State DOT

Roberts Avenue School		
Osborne Street	25	1176
Roberts Avenue	None (Blanket)	Pending
Seventh Avenue	None (Blanket)	Pending
Eighth Avenue	None (Blanket)	Pending
Rogers Park Middle School		
Memorial Drive	20	1950
Sacred Heart School		
McDermott Street	None (Blanket)	Pending
Cottage Street	None (Blanket)	Pending
Shelter Rock School		
Shelter Rock Road	25	582
Crows Nest Lane	25	2508
South King Street Schools		
South King Street	25	826
South Street School		
South Street (Northbound)	25	State DOT
South Street (Southbound)	25 (Missing)	State DOT
Stadley Rough School		
Karen Road	25	1863
St. Gregory The Great School		
Great Plain Road	25	1215
St. Peters/St. Josephs Schools		
Main Street	25	State DOT
WCSU- Downtown Campus		
White Street	25	1242
Wooster/Maimonides School		
Miry Brook Road	25	2283
Backus Avenue	30*	2804

\* Application for change of the speed limit to 25 MPH is pending

C: Recommendations:

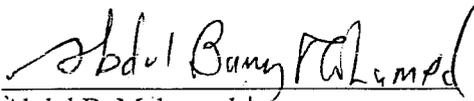
Based on the foregoing, the speed limits established for roadways within school area meet the desires of Councilman Louis Charles, Jr. However, observation of vehicle operating speeds in the area indicate that additional efforts are needed to achieve a high level of compliance of the speed limits by motorists. For this reason, the following measures intended to increase protection of the school children are recommended:

1. Installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Shelter Rock Road and Crows Nest Lane. Funding for this project has been requested under the 1998/1999 Capital Improvement Program for implementation during the Fiscal Year 1998/1999.
2. Installation of flashing beacons along major traffic corridors adjacent to some of the City's schools. The corridors include South Street, Pembroke Road, Park Avenue, Osborne Street, Tamarack Road and Stadley Rough Road. Funding for the project has also been requested under the 1998/1999 Capital Improvement Program for implementation during the Fiscal Years 1998/1999 and 1999/2000.
3. Selective enforcement of vehicle speeds within the school zones should be conducted by the Police Department.

D. Amending of the City's Ordinance:

It does not appear that amendment of the City's ordinance to incorporate school zone speed limits would be appropriate. This is due to the fact that the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut assigns the responsibility for establishment of all speed limits on all roadways within the State Traffic Commission (STC) rather than to the municipalities. Therefore, such an action could conflict with the General Statutes of the State.

Very truly yours,



Abdul B. Mohamed  
Traffic Engineer

ABM/gw

Received for record

at 3:25 P. M.

JAN 20 1998

Honorable Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor  
Common Council  
City of Danbury  
155 Deerhill Ave.  
Danbury, CT 06810

Attest: *Michael A. Scie*  
Town Clerk

January 18, 1998

Dear Mayor Eriquez and Common Council Members,

In light of the recent controversy over the proposed sale of city owned land adjacent to Broadview Middle School, we would like to formally request that all City of Danbury owned land adjacent to any city school be declared permanently non-surplus. In addition, we would like a restriction placed on these lands permitting use for educational and/or recreational purposes only.

We strongly believe that this action needs to be taken to preserve what little land the City presently owns near our schools. In working to stop the sale of the land adjacent to Broadview Middle School, we had spoken to numerous parents and residents who agreed with us. In fact we had gathered over 1200 signatures on petitions to stop that land sale, the overall feeling of the signers being that this land would be better used for the benefit of our educational system and the youth of Danbury.

We are asking for your help. We need assurance that land will be available to accommodate our future educational and/or recreation needs. We need to declare these properties as permanently "Non Surplus", and apply a usage restriction to them, permitting development only for educational and/or recreational purposes.

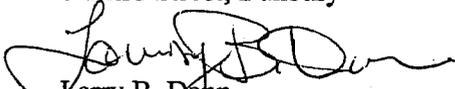
We ask that you give this matter your prompt attention.

Thank you

Sincerely,



Robin M. Dann  
6 Third Street, Danbury



Larry B. Dann  
6 Third Street, Danbury



Loraine Seder  
224 Great Plain Road, Danbury

cc: Town Clerks Office  
Christopher Setaro

**Shelley L. Decker  
Martin M. Stampfler  
Hemlock Trail  
Danbury , CT 06811  
(203) 746-0563**

**Jan. 09, 1998**

**To Common Council for the city of Danbury**

**We are interested in obtaining the enclosed city owned lot to combine it with our lot on Hemlock/Birch Trail in Danbury. Can we please be informed on when, where and how to do so?**

**Thank You**

*Shelley Decker*  
**Shelley Decker**

**CITY OF DANBURY**  

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**PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

HATTERS COMMUNITY PARK  
7 EAST HAYESTOWN ROAD  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06811

ROBERT G. RYERSON  
DIRECTOR  
TEL. (203) 797-4632  
FAX (203) 797-4634

January 26, 1998

TO: Mayor Gene F. Eriquez and  
Members of the Common Council

FROM: Robert G. Ryerson   
Director, Parks & Recreation

RE: P.A.L. Bambino Concession/Sewer Installation

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Enclosed is a letter from Mike Haddad which states their organization has \$3,000 to donate toward the materials needed to hook up the concession stand to city sewer. The engineering of the project was coordinated by Bill Buckley. The materials list was compiled by Ralph Haestad. All materials needed will cost approximately \$7,500-\$8,000. As the letter indicates, they were not prepared to fund a system of this capacity.

I will forward a transfer of funds for your approval to ensure the project goes forward for a spring completion.

I recommend the Common Council accept this generous donation toward this city owned building.

The Finance Department will set up the proper expenditure account.

RGR/fl

c: D.A. Setaro  
W. Buckley  
J. Schweitzer

DANBURY PAL BAMBINO BASEBALL  
C/O Michael J. Haddad, Sr., President  
93 Park Avenue, Unit 706 Village Square  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810  
203-744-1077

January 13th, 1998

Danbury Parks & Recreation Department  
7 Eat Hayestown Road  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810  
ATTENTION: ROBERT RYERSON, DIRECTOR

RE: Concession Stand Sewer

Dear Mr. Ryerson:

The Danbury Bambino Baseball League, has been working very hard to make this league one of the finest in the northeast. We have worked hard with the Mayor and the Parks & Recreation Department to help with the financial end of putting all the necessary items into for the Bambino Field.

For Danbury Bambino to be able to pay for all material which comes to approximately \$7,500.00 is way out of our budget. We feel that a donation of \$3,000.00 is all that the league can afford. We would hope that the Parks & Recreation Department and the City of Danbury would except this as a GIFT. I know that we originally talked about us paying for the material but the price came way out of line.

This project needs to be accomplished because without this sewer line in, we will not be able to open the concession stand with a full menu. This would truly be a big financial loss without the full menu. We are hoping that between the Parks & Recreation Department and the City Water Department, that this project can be taken care of.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely yours,

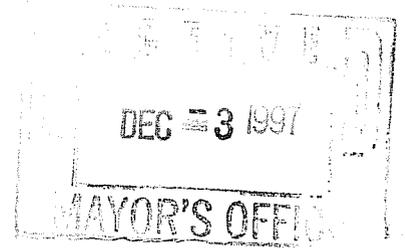


Michael J. Haddad, Sr.,  
President



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810



WATER, SEWER, RECYCLING &  
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENTS  
(203) 797-4539  
FAX: (203) 796-1590

WILLIAM J. BUCKLEY JR., P.E.  
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

November 26, 1997

Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

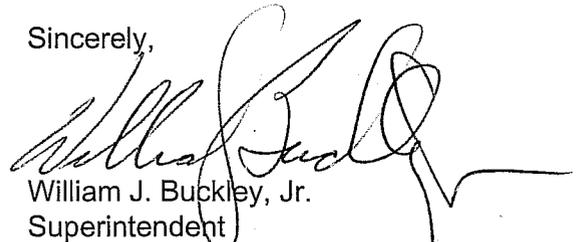
RE: Repair of Water Line - Franklin Street

Dear Mayor Eriquez:

Normally, under City of Danbury Ordinances Section 16.3 and Section 21.5, the property owner is responsible for repairs to the sewer or water lateral line into the home. The property owner is responsible for hiring a contractor and having that line repaired.

Occasionally, the contractors work will reveal that the lateral problem may be due to the work of a previous contractor hired by the City. This is the case with the work that Pembroke Pumping Services performed for Mr. Joe Rodrigues at 79 Franklin Street on September 18, 1997. Our foreman believes Pembroke Pumping's repair to Mr. Rodrigues' water line was necessitated by the previous action of Trumbull Construction at that site. The work that Trumbull Construction did has been completed and the bond has been released. I request that you ask the Common Council to reimburse Mr. Rodrigues \$2,585.00 for his payment to the contractor. If the Common Council approves this reimbursement, I will seek reimbursement from Trumbull Construction for the City's expense. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



William J. Buckley, Jr.  
Superintendent

WJB:sm

cc: Paul Galvin  
Dominic Setaro  
Lew Wallace

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**PEMBROKE  
PUMPING SERVICES, INC.**  
45 Beaver Brook Road  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

(203) 790-8975 746-1424

Mr. Joe Rodrigues  
79 Franklin Street  
Danbury, CT 06810

statement

DATE
September 18, 1997
ACCOUNT NUMBER
Water line

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$

RETURN THIS PORTION WITH PAYMENT

DATE	CHARGES AND CREDITS	AMOUNT
9/5/97	Labor and material to repair water line on 79 Franklin St	\$2,585.00
	<p>**Please call me at the office and I will explain what you have to do to try to get all or part of this covered by the City!!</p> <p>A finance charge of 1½% per month (18% per annum) will be applied to past due accounts over 30 days.</p>	

**PEMBROKE  
PUMPING SERVICES, INC.**

PAY LAST AMOUNT  
IN THIS COLUMN

*Thank You*

CUTSUMPAS, COLLINS, HANNAFIN, GARAMELLA, JABER & TUOZZOLO  
PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

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148 DEER HILL AVENUE - P.O. BOX 440, DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

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24 BAILEY AVENUE  
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January 28, 1998

Honorable Christopher Setaro  
President Common Council  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

**RE:** Application for sewer and water extension: Ridgebury Vista, LLC  
Briar Ridge Road

Dear Mr. Setaro:

Please be advised that we represent Ridgebury Vista, LLC, in connection with a certain water and sewer extension application which was approved by the Common Council at its meeting of October 7, 1997. The applicant hereby requests a modification of said sewer permit to extend the proposed sewer line in order to connect the same to the existing line located in the vicinity of Briar Ridge Road, which services the Boehringer Ingelheim facility.

The connection of the line being constructed by the applicant to the existing City sewer line would divert sewer flow from the west side sewer line which is currently over capacity. Please advise me of the date and time of the subcommittee meeting. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,



Paul N. Jaber

PNJ:sh

cc: Carl J. Kuehner.

Carl R. Kuehner, III

COMMON COUNCIL - CITY OF DANBURY

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF SEWER/WATER

Sewer \_\_\_\_\_

Water ✓

Name of Applicant: MELISSA GRONDIN

Address: 37 SOUTH ST  
DANBURY CT 06810

Telephone: 203-798-0207

The undersigned submits for consideration an application for extension of ~~sewer and~~/or water facilities for property

Located at: EDGEWOOD ST

Assessors's Lot No. 6-14392

Zone: RA-8

Intended Use:      Retail \_\_\_\_\_      Single Family Residential ✓  
                         Office \_\_\_\_\_      Multiple Family Development \_\_\_\_\_  
                         Mixed Use \_\_\_\_\_  
                         Industrial \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Efficiency Units \_\_\_\_\_

Number of 1 Bedroom Units \_\_\_\_\_

Number of 2 Bedroom Units \_\_\_\_\_

Number of 3 Bedroom Units ✓

Total Number of Units \_\_\_\_\_

Melissa Grondin  
SIGNATURE

January, 21, 1998  
DATE

COHEN AND WOLF, P. C.  
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FACSIMILE (203) 791-8149

112 PROSPECT STREET  
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT 06904  
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FACSIMILE (203) 578-8504

183 MAIN STREET  
WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT 06880  
TELEPHONE (203) 222-1034  
FACSIMILE (203) 227-1373

PLEASE REPLY TO \_\_\_\_\_

WRITERS DIRECT DIAL: (203) \_\_\_\_\_

Danbury

January 12, 1998

Ms. Betty Crudginton  
City Clerk  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, CT 06810

RE: Plumtrees Road

Dear Betty:

Enclosed please find an Application for Extension of Sewer with regard to premises located on Plumtrees Road in Danbury.

Please place this matter on the agenda of the next meeting of the Common Council and refer the request to the appropriate parties.

Very truly yours,



Robin A. Kahn

RAK/dd

cc: Anthony Faustini

cc: [faded]

cc: [faded]

cc: [faded]

COMMON COUNCIL - CITY OF DANBURY

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF SEWER/WATER

Sewer   x  

Water   X  

Name of Applicant:           Elio Ditullio          

Address:           38 Smith Place            
          Trumbull, CT 06611          

Telephone:           203-334-5065          

The undersigned submits for consideration an application for extension of sewer and/or water facilities for property

Located at:           Plumtrees Road          

Assessors's Lot No.           L12033          

Zone:           CL-10          

Intended Use:      Retail       X                    Single Family Residential         
                         Office                     Multiple Family Development         
                         ~~Mixed Use~~         
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Number of Efficiency Units           

Number of 1 Bedroom Units           

Number of 2 Bedroom Units           

Number of 3 Bedroom Units           

Total Number of Units           

*Robin A. Kahn*

**SIGNATURE**

Robin A. Kahn

1/12/98

**DATE**

received  
12/31/97

John DeBiaso Jr  
86 Mill Ridge Rd  
Danbury, Ct 06811

Danbury City Council  
Danbury City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Ave  
Danbury, Ct. 06810

December 25 1997

RE Request for the Formation  
of a Committee to investigate  
the lack of responsiveness by  
the Danbury Police Dept to respond  
to legitimate complaints made by  
myself: John DeBiaso, and the mistreatment  
by certain police officers in the Dept.

Dear City Common Council,

I have experienced a lack of response  
and mistreatment from the Danbury Police Dept since 1991  
when I was arrested in a Domestic Dispute. Shortly thereafter  
I experienced ridicule and rudeness when making complaints  
about noise and personal harassment by black youth in my  
neighborhood on Rowan Street where I owned a home and  
presently in the Mill Ridge Housing project.

I have been having trouble obtaining police  
reports regarding some of my complaints. Poor Record keeping by  
the DPD.

The last incident occurred on Dec 24 1997  
when I was told by a Danbury Police Dept supervisor Mr Foley  
that he would not respond to a violation of the city's noise ordinance  
because "I was the only one making a complaint". I believe I cannot  
have my civil rights protected because of the negative attitude of  
the Danbury Police Dept, towards me.

I would like to request that Warren Levy either  
head or be a member on the committee to investigate my complaint  
against the Police Dept.

Respectfully Yours  
Mr. John DeBiaso Jr

Danbury City Common Council

Danbury City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Ave  
Danbury Ct 06810

John DeBaso Jr  
86 Mill Ridge Rd  
Danbury Ct 06811

Dec 25 1997

RE: Request for committee to investigate lack of enforcement of state statutes & city ordinances by the Housing Authority City of Danbury regarding unregistered vehicles on city property, etc. at Mill Ridge Public Housing.

Dear City Common Council,

The Housing authority of Mill Ridge Rd Project has expressed a reluctance to me regarding the enforcement of unregistered vehicles and out of state plates. Some of these out of state vehicle owners ~~at~~ believe are residing at the housing authority illegally, claiming to be only visiting.

I request that this issue be put on the agenda for resolution.

Why has the Housing Authority has allowed these violations of the lease contracts to go on for so long?

Respectfully Yours  
me. John DeBaso Jr

### PART III

#### Charges and Penalties

- Delinquency In Payment
- a. Rental and other charges are due and payable in advance on the 1st. day of the calendar month. The exception is where the Tenant notifies and makes other arrangements with the Landlord. All tenants asking for an extension must sign a form stating the time of extension and date, within the month the rent will be paid. If unpaid by the 10th of the month and no arrangements have been made, the delinquent account will be placed in the hands of the attorney for eviction, without any prior notice to the Tenant. All costs incurred will be borne by the Tenant in accordance with Paragraph 'C, Part I, of the Conditions of Occupancy.
- Keys
- b. The Tenant will receive one set of keys to his unit. The same must be relinquished upon termination of lease. There will be a charge of \$1.00 for each key that has to be replaced.
- Lockouts
- c. The Tenant will be responsible for keys to units. If lockouts occur, a charge will be made.
- Damage
- d. The Tenant will be required to pay for damage they cause to walls, floors, windows, doors, screens, shades, and all other property.
- Plumbing Fixtures
- e. Clogged toilets and sinks will be repaired, during normal working hours. The Tenant will be charged if it is determined that the toilet or sink became clogged due to negligence of the Tenant.
- Automobiles
- f. Automobiles owned by the Tenant, that are properly registered as required by Law may be brought on the premises of the Landlord and parked in a space designated by it. Automobiles shall not be parked in any other place. No truck, larger than a 1/2 ton pick-up, or trailer are to be parked upon the premises. The privilege of parking automobiles may be revoked at any time by the Landlord. Upon such revocation the Tenant forthwith shall remove the automobile from the premises, and upon failure to do so the Landlord, in addition to its other remedies, shall have the right to remove and dispose of such automobile, and the Tenant shall be liable to the Landlord for all costs connected therewith
- Broken Windows
- g. All broken windows in the Tenant's unit shall be replaced by the Landlord at the Tenant's expense. Any windows broken in maintenance, other units, office, or other general spaces by a Tenant, his family or visiting friends shall be replaced by the Landlord at the Tenant's expense.
- Oil Burners
- h. Oil burners will be maintained by the Landlord. However repairs necessitated by the lack of oil, misuse or negligence of Tenant, his family or visitors, will be done only by the Landlord at the Tenant's expense.



# CITY OF DANBURY

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COMMON COUNCIL

## REPORT

January 27, 1998

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
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**RE: Resolution in Support of the Tourism District**

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Mr. Levy moved to recommend to the Common Council adoption of the proposed resolution supporting regional tourism districts. Seconded by Mr. Setaro and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
CHRISTOPHER C. SETARO, Chairman

  
WARREN LEVY

  
PAULINE BASSO



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TO: Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Members of the Common Council

FROM: Thomas Arconti  
3rd Ward

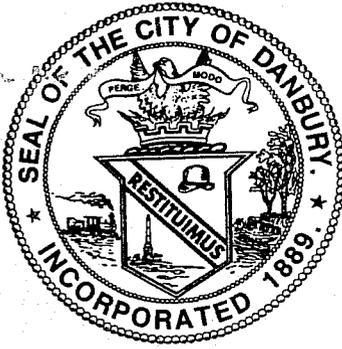
RE: Housatonic Valley Tourism District

DATE: January 6, 1998

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I am pleased to submit the attached Resolution for consideration at the January 6, 1997 Common Council Meeting. Richard Murray and Norman Winnerman, Danbury's representatives to the Housatonic Valley Tourism District, and I have discussed and prepared this Resolution in support of maintaining state funded regional tourism districts and urge its adoption by the Common Council.

The City of Danbury can be considered the "hub" of the nine town Housatonic Valley Tourism District and it would therefore be appropriate for its government to provide leadership in sustaining the more beneficial regional district structure.



# RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

\_\_\_\_\_ A. D., 19

**RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut currently funds through its lodging tax revenue, eleven regional tourism districts, each independently operated and governed by representatives of the municipalities they serve; and

WHEREAS, the Housatonic Valley Tourism District is one such agency serving the City of Danbury and eight other surrounding communities with the sole purpose of promoting the attractions and benefits of those communities and thereby aiding in the economic development and vitality of its members; and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut is currently proposing to dissolve the eleven regional tourism districts and replace them with a single centralized tourism operation; which action would be detrimental to the City's ability to participate in and influence decisions and actions affecting our economic well being and thereby be less beneficial to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that it will be best served by a regional tourism district that thoroughly understands the makeup of this geographic area and will advocate its attributes on behalf of the City of Danbury and its other member communities, and that the Housatonic Valley Tourism District is best suited to perform these duties.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Danbury urges its State Legislators and the entire General Assembly to oppose the centralization of tourism operations and support continuation of the state funded, regional tourism district structure, and specifically sustain the operations of the Housatonic Valley Tourism District.



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## REPORT

February 3, 1998

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Members of the Common Council

Re: West King Street

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the problem on West King Street met on January 20, 1998 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Scalzo, Levy and Saracino. Also in attendance were City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Assistant Corporation Counsel Laszlo Pinter and Council Members Basso and Shuler, ex-officio, as well as the Petitioner, William Sullivan, Linda Molinaro and several neighbors who live on the private road.

Extensive reports from the Traffic Engineer, Corporation Counsel, Police Chief and City Engineer were read into the record by Mr. Scalzo, as well as the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Commission from 1978 which made various recommendations for the subdivision at that time. Mr. Sullivan explained in detail the contents of his letter to the City seeking a solution to the sightline condition at their private driveway and the dangers that are present because of the numbers and speed of the travelers entering and leaving Danbury on West King Street. He and the other residents were made aware of the fact that utilizing traffic signalization and/or stop signs are neither practical or legally permissible as stated by the Police Chief and the Traffic Engineer.

In further discussion, it was resolved that the proper solution at this time would be to remove a portion of the bank and clear the plant overgrowth in the designated area to improve the line of sight. All of the residents are willing to pay for the cost of this. However, they stated the owner of the property involved is very uncooperative. It was further noted that any sight line improvement would have to be approved by the City Engineer as was not the case when the subdivision was approved in 1978.

On advice from the Corporation Counsel, Les Pinter, Mr. Levy made the motion that, based on the information in reports from the City Engineer, Traffic Engineer and the Chief of Police that the City declares this portion of West King Street a traffic hazard and request that the Corporation Counsel proceed with regard to the acquiring of certain rights voluntarily from the property owner to improve the sight line in the area in question. Seconded by Mrs. Saracino and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
HARRY W. SCALZO, Chairman

  
WARREN LEVY

  
MARY SARACINO



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Respectfully submitted,

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HARRY W. SCALZO, Chairman

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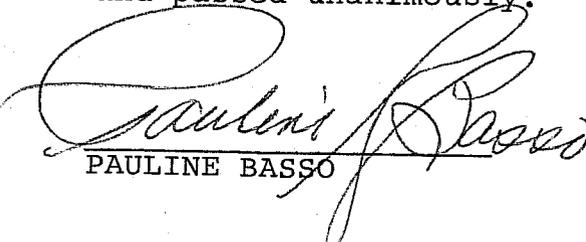
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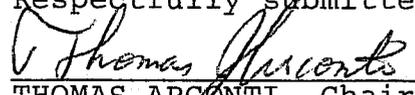
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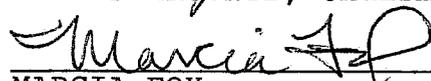
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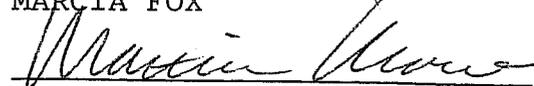
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THOMAS ARCONTI, Chairman

  
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January 13, 1998

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City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
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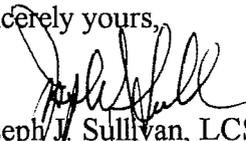
MCCA has been pursuing the acquisition of land and/or building for the establishment of a consolidated facility in which to provide both residential and outpatient alcohol and substance abuse services. The Mayor and other city officials have encouraged us to locate this facility within the City of Danbury. Our goal has been to find a site that is both accessible and serene.

As you are aware, MCCA had been conducting a land search for almost two years when we were encouraged to make an offer to purchase some city-owned land on Hospital Avenue. That offer has generated considerable public attention. While the City Planning Commission voted a positive recommendation for the sale to MCCA, the Board of Education is recommending to the City Council against selling the property because it is adjacent to Broadview Middle School. Conversations with you and the Mayor reflected a belief that uncertainty about future land needs for magnet schools and/or Head Start make it imprudent, at this time, for the City to declare this land as surplus.

Within the past few weeks, a building on 3+ acres of land was brought to our attention. The building is somewhat larger than we currently need but affords expansion potential. Last Friday, I met with Mayor Eriquez and most of the members of the Danbury Area Legislative Delegation. The Mayor has pledged his support to help MCCA make this alternative site a reality. Area Legislators, in a bi-partisan effort to meet the needs of our area, will be introducing special legislature to provide financial assistance to MCCA to fund the down payment.

Because of our optimism over the feasibility of the alternative site and the realities of a likely vote, MCCA has withdrawn its offer to purchase that which was submitted to Mayor Eriquez on May 28, 1997.

Sincerely yours,

  
Joseph J. Sullivan, LCSW  
Executive Director

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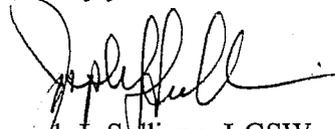
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I also want to take this opportunity to thank you for your help with the Danbury Area Legislative Delegation. I was just so pleased and so impressed with the willingness of our Legislators to undertake a bi-partisan effort to help MCCA and our community.

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cc: T. Arconti ✓  
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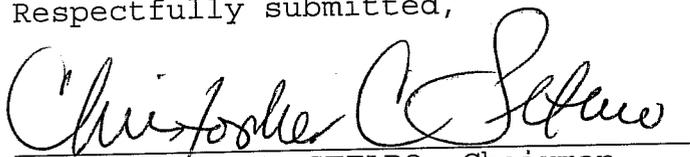
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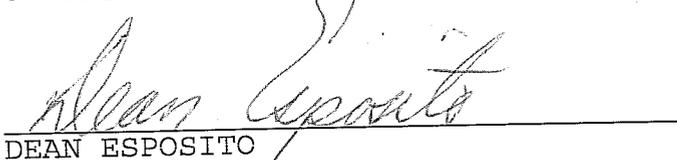
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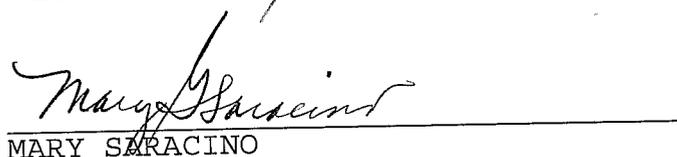
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ROBERT G. RYERSON  
DIRECTOR  
TEL. (203) 797-4632  
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January 26, 1998

TO: Chris Setaro, Chairperson

FROM: Robert G. Ryerson   
Director, Parks & Recreation

RE: Sportslighting - P.A.L. Bambino Baseball Donation

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In March 1990, a Common Council committee submitted a report and recommended approval of proposed upgrades to Little League Field I in Rogers Park. Those improvements included new fencing, dugouts, flagpole, electronic scoreboard, press box, grandstand, concession stand, drainage, paved parking lot and sportslighting. In April 1990, the report was approved by the Common Council.

Since that time, the P.A.L. Bambino baseball organization and the City have made all the improvements except the sportslighting at Visconti Memorial Stadium.

I recommend the Common Council approve the donation of sportslighting from the P.A.L. Bambino Baseball organization.

The Parks & Recreation Department will set the baseball schedule with the league officials. This will include practice and playing dates and times. In earlier discussions, an approximate game ending time of 9:30 p.m. on non-school nights was agreed upon. One of the purposes of lighting this field was to attract state, regional and national events to Danbury. Sportslighting is a requirement to host a national event. Two of the past three years, Visconti Stadium has hosted a girls softball tournament. Lighting during the summer months will give an additional flexibility in scheduling.

Like other leagues which use lights for their leagues, the Parks & Recreation Department will monitor the use of lights and rules pertaining to their use.

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The City should be very proud of the accomplishment of the P.A.L. Bambino Baseball organization. They have hosted state and regional tournaments the past three years. These events brought parents and players from all the New England states to Danbury. I heard many statements from these parents on the outstanding facilities in Rogers Park. It certainly made me proud to be the City's Parks and Recreation Director.

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**Hand Delivered**

January 26th, 1998

Mr. Christopher Setaro, President  
Danbury Common Council  
City Hall  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

**RE: Lights/Bambino Baseball Field at Roger's Park**

Dear Mr. Setaro:

The Danbury Bambino League has been waiting a long time for lights on Field #1 at Roger's Park. We started this project back in 1990, having a Public Hearing on March 20, 1990. We have fulfilled all of our goals with the resurfacing of the fields, installation of new fencing, construction of dugouts, concession stand, bleachers and press box.

All of this was accomplished with the help from Parks & Recreation and the City of Danbury. The Danbury Bambino Baseball League has put in over \$75,000.00 in this project in the last three (3) years.

On April 4, 1990, the Common Council passed all of the improvements, which also included lights. This year (1997) the League went to Musco Lighting System, which was an additional cost of \$8,000.00, and had them install the best engineering lighting system which also has the lowest possible spill and glare control due to the neighbors.

The time of operation on the Lights, would be not having the lights on, on a nite that the following day school is in season. Lights are scheduled to be off by 9:30 pm. The park closes at 11:00 PM. There may be times that the lights might be on longer due to weather conditions or a tournament play.

I hope this information that I have provided regarding the lights is informative.

Thank you for taking the time to review this matter.

Very truly yours,



MICHAEL J. HADDAD, SR.

## ● Redding

# Common Council OKs work on Rogers Park

By Sarah Passell  
THE NEWS-TIMES

DANBURY — Despite some neighbors' misgivings, the Common Council agreed last night to accept about \$60,000 worth of improvements to a Little League field in Rogers Park, including a public address system and night lights.

Faced with opposition from some park neighbors, who feared increased noise, excess light and parking problems, the council was prepared to commit the Danbury Exchange Club's offer for further study, but Republican Councilman Donald Boughton forced the issue. It passed.

Now, the Exchange Club and Little League volunteers will have to raise the money.

Boughton tried to force a vote last night on another proposal that has come before the council several times and been rejected — to lease city land near Rogers Park to a subsidized day care center for construction of new quarters. Boughton's effort failed, and the twice-revived proposal on Action Day Care will undergo further review by a council committee.

A proposal to give developer George Davon a small plot of city land on Maple Avenue for construction of a three-unit condominium, to be sold to buyers on moderate incomes, also aroused debate but passed, 17-3. The building is to be a replica, on three sides, of the antique Erickson house on North Street, which burned down last month. Some council members objected to giving land to a private developer.

"I think this gives the appearance of giving preferential treatment to some builder," Boughton said.

"I think it's an excellent merger of public and private interests," said Democratic Councilman Richard Kilcullen.

Davon, who developed the high-priced and hot-selling condominium project on Lake Kenosia called Lake Piacé, has told the council he will price the units at about \$110,000 and expects to turn a profit of about 7 percent. He said the Maple Avenue project would represent the first cooperative housing project between a profit-seeking developer and the city.

"Without affordable housing we will all have problems," he said.

A request for \$6,500 to help pay the cost overrun on a regional water supply study was also approved after much debate. The study was originally priced at \$10,000, but the final report, prepared by Ground Water Inc., cost nearly \$23,000.

Some council members objected that Ground Water, which conducted the study for the Housatonic Valley Council of Elected Officials, should not have run over its contract price without permission.

In other action, the council created a seven-member commission to review the city charter and recommend changes. The commission was asked to complete its work in time for submission to the voters in the November state elections.



# Danbury Bambinos need support

By Jim Sheehan  
THE NEWS-TIMES

DANBURY — When Mario Tiani took his Danbury Bambino baseball team down to the national championships in Wilmington, N.C. in 1989, he was overwhelmed by the reception the team got.

There was a parade, and the Danbury team rode on one of the floats.

"We want to bring a regional tournament to Danbury, then hopefully the national tournament," said Tiani, the President of the Danbury Babe Ruth Bambino League and a coach as well. Plans are well underway to build a new baseball facility in Rogers Park.

"That's the kind of community support we're looking for," Tiani added, referring to the Wilmington trip. "The only thing holding us back right now is financing."

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## Bambinos

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The new facility will have 12-foot high screen fences up the baselines, a 6-foot high fence around the outfield, an electric scoreboard, a scorer's and press box behind the plate, enclosed dugouts, bleachers, a warning track, lights for night games and a paved parking lot.

All of the paperwork is done. The Danbury Common Council approved the plan in April of last year.

"We were hoping to do the ground-breaking sometime in the fall," Tiani said, "but the fund-raising isn't going as well as we anticipated."

Tiani, in his first year as President, has restructured the organization, formerly Danbury Little League. He's involved all the members of the Board of Directors and delegated the responsibilities. In the past, the President has done the bulk of the work himself.

The Board of Directors has been meeting on a weekly basis since September to make sure things run

smoothly this coming season, and to come up with some fund-raising ideas. The project should cost about \$70,000.

"We wanted to make a good organization even better," Tiani said last night at the weekly meeting. "The lines of communication within the organization are much better."

Vice president of equipment and scheduling Frank Veripapa was in charge of a baseball card show held last weekend. Yankees' shortstop Alvaro Espinoza signed autographs at the show, and to date it was the most successful fund-raiser for the league.

"Next we're hoping to raffle off a car in the mall, but we're having some trouble getting in there," Tiani said.

"If worse comes to worse, we'll just bring the car out in the streets and do the raffle that way," said Mike Haddad, vice president of field operations.

"We're trying to use all local contractors," Haddad said. "And Abbott Tech is going to be making the

box behind the plate."

The prospect of getting the Danbury community to embrace the Bambino League — "That's our ultimate objective", according to Tiani — is a huge task. The Danbury Exchange Club sponsors the 46-team league, and has sponsored youth baseball in Danbury for 42 consecutive years.

With volunteers from the Exchange Club and the help of parents, tryouts will begin this weekend, with registration happening at the same time. Tryouts will also be held next weekend at the War Memorial, while registration will run right up until the season starts.

"The key is participation," Tiani said. "This is going to be a hell of a facility for the kids."

The Danbury Babe Ruth Bambino League is for players ages 8-12.

"We're starting to see some new faces," said league secretary Bruce Svendsen. "It's a tough time to try to raise money, but we're starting to get more of the parents out."

# Face lift for field opposed

By Sarah Passell  
THE NEWS-TIMES

3/20/90

DANBURY—An offer from two volunteer organizations to collect \$60,000 and donate it to League field in Rogers Park is meeting with a less-than-enthusiastic response from some park neighbors.

Last night, at least a dozen residents of the Mountainville Avenue neighborhood attended a public hearing to oppose the plan, presented by the Danbury Youth Baseball Club and Danbury Exchange Club and opponents complained that lighting the field at night, as the two organizations propose, would increase the disturbances that already plague their evenings.

"We are affected by lights and noise and traffic," said Frederick Visconti Jr., whose family sold to the city the land on which the field lies. "The fights, the drug addicts—we're tired of it."

Opponents said the only part of the plan they object to is the lighting proposal, which would extend playing hours to 9:30 p.m. They favored the other improvements, which include installation of new fencing, larger dugouts, a sprinkler system, a flag pole, an electronic scoreboard, an announcer's booth and upgraded drainage and parking.

"I don't think all the alternatives were thought out," said Eileen Mitchell, who ran unsuccessfully last year for a seat on the Common Council. She came to public notice last year as a leader of the opposition of a city proposal to move a subsidized day care center to the edge of the park on Mountainville Avenue.

Last night, Mitchell urged the council to find another city playing field to improve.

An even larger group of Little League supporters turned out last night to advocate the change plan, which requires the approval of both the city administration and the Common Council. Mayor Gene Eriqson said he supports the



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Report

March 6, 1990

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The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request by the Exchange Club of Danbury and Danbury Youth Baseball to upgrade and enhance the existing little league field (field #1) at Rogers Park met in Room 432 in City Hall on Wednesday, February 21, 1990 at 7:30 P.M. In attendance were committee members Valeri, Dean Esposito and Fazio. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Robert Ryerson, Exchange Club project committee members Richard Murray, George Rivard, Art Haddad, Jay Eriquez and Youth Baseball representatives Mario Tiani, Mike Haddad and Bruce Svenson. Council Members John Esposito and Joseph Scozzafava attended, ex-officio.

Mr. Rivard who also serves as Commissioner of the Youth Baseball League explained in great detail the proposed upgrade and enhancements including the installation of lights for night baseball, new fencing surrounding the field, larger dugouts, installation of a sprinkler system, erection of a flag pole, an electronic scoreboard, construction of an announcers booth that would also serve to provide storage space, improved water drainage and paved and lighted parking, all at no expense to the City of Danbury. Mr. Rivard further explained that the intentions are to provide a quality facility for youth baseball that would not only meet standards set by Babe Ruth baseball's Bambino division serving 8 to 12 year olds of which there are approximately 700 participants in Danbury but also increase the potentiality of hosting regional and/or national championship play. The proposed improvements would also serve to stimulate further involvement in the program.

It was additionally noted that the Youth Baseball League would have non-exclusive use of the facility and that other organizations will have access as well (i.e. Little Ladies and Women's Fastpitch Softball League). It was further explained that beyond the obvious benefits to the baseball league, advantages to the City would include the enhanced image of Rogers Park and the community, as well as the positive recognition and revenues generated as a host community to championship play.

Funding for this project, estimated at \$50-60K would be drawn from various sources including donations, raffles and national Babe Ruth fund-raising activity.

Mr. Tiani supplied the committee with a project outline complimenting Mr. Rivard's presentation. Most notable concerns expressed by the committee were as follows:

1. Selection and supervision of contractors and construction. Mike Haddad stated that the committee as a whole would oversee the process and that an agreement has been made with Henry Abbott Tech to do most of the work. Mr. Ryerson guaranteed his department's involvement in the process and expressed approval in support of the project.

2. Liability - Mr. Rivard explained that the Youth Baseball Program maintains a policy covering \$1 million liability inclusive of the City of Danbury.

3. Potential concern by area residents with particular regard to nighttime activity. Mr. Tiani stated that games would end by approximately 9:30 P.M. at the latest. Mr. Ryerson additionally noted a parkwide 10:30 curfew that is police enforced.

Dean Esposito suggested in consideration of area residents, the possibility of a public hearing to address potential concerns.

Dean Esposito made a motion to recommend the approval of the project. Seconded by Mr. Fazio. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. VALERI, Chairman

DEAN ESPOSITO

MICHAEL FAZIO



# CITY OF DANBURY

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DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

COMMON COUNCIL

PROGRESS REPORT

January 28, 1998

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable members of the Common Council

RE: Ordinance defining and regulating breeding of dangerous animals

The committee appointed to review an ordinance defining and regulating the breeding of dangerous animals met at 7:30 PM in Room 432 of City Hall. In attendance were committee members Setaro and Moore. Also in attendance were Police Chief Robert Paquette, Assistant Corporation Counsel Les Pinter and Council members Dean Esposito and Levy ex officio.

Mr. Setaro stated that a constituent who had been the subject of a pit bull attack had requested that the Council investigate and propose an ordinance regulating the breeding of dangerous animals. M. Pinter stated that he had researched the issue and that several Connecticut municipalities have adopted ordinances of this type, that the ordinances must be narrowly tailored and that the ordinances which he found regulate dogs or dangerous animals. Chief Paquette stated that his concerns included specific standards in the ordinance and enforceability and he added that he would research how many similar attacks had occurred in Danbury. Mr. Setaro stated that the committee and the Council would be seeking options and recommendations on this issue.

Mr. Moore moved to adjourn the meeting to allow the Office of Corporation Counsel and Police Chief to further research the issue and make a recommendation to the committee. Seconded by Mr. Setaro and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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CHRISTOPHER C. SETARO, Chairman

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# CITY OF DANBURY

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OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

PLEASE REPLY TO:

February 3, 1998

DANBURY, CT 06810

Honorable Mayor Gene F. Eriquez  
Honorable Members of the Common Council  
155 Deer Hill Avenue  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

Re: Addition to Agenda  
Grant-in-Aid Agreement for Landfill Closure

Dear Mayor and Council:

On behalf of the Mayor, you are requested to consider and approve the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute such agreements as are required to obtain reimbursement for expenses of landfill closure. The format of this resolution is what is required by the State Department of Environmental Protection.

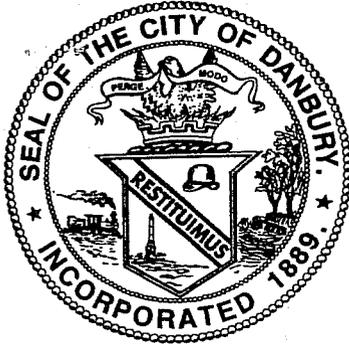
Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Laszlo L. Pinter NSM

Assistant Corporation Counsel

c: Dominic A. Setaro, Jr.  
Director of Finance



## RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

February 3

A. D., 19<sup>98</sup>

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

### RESOLUTION

I, Elizabeth Crudginton, City Clerk of the City of Danbury, Connecticut (the "City"), DO HEREBY certify that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Common Council of the City of Danbury duly held and convened on February 3, 1998, at which meeting a duly constituted quorum of the Common Council was present and acting throughout and that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded or revoked and is at present in full force and effect:

RESOLVED: That Mayor Gene F. Eriquez is authorized to execute any and all agreements for the purpose of receiving from the Department of Environmental Protection, a grant for the closure of the Danbury Landfill.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has affixed his signature and the corporate seal of the City this fourth day of February, 1998.

SEAL

*Elizabeth Crudginton*  
Elizabeth Crudginton, City Clerk