

COMMON COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

MAY 10, 1993

The Meeting to be called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Eriquez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
PRAYER

ROLL CALL

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Fazio, Scalzo, Falzone, Gallo, Arconti, Coladarci, Boynton,  
Dennehy, Setaro, Gogliettino, DaSilva, John Esposito, Dean  
Esposito, Outlaw, Cassano, Charles, Butera, Cipriani, Scozzafava,  
Trocolla, Yamin

20 Present 1 Absent

NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING - To be held on the 10th day of  
May, 1993 at 7:00 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers in City  
Hall for the purpose of acting upon the following items:

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- 1 ORDINANCE - An Ordinance Making Appropriations for the Fiscal  
Year Beginning July 1, 1993 and Ending June 30, 1994

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- ✓ 2 RESOLUTION - A Resolution Levying the Property Tax for the Fiscal  
Year beginning July 1, 1993 and Ending June 30, 1994

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- 3 ORDINANCE - Water Rates

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- ✓ 4 BUDGET REPORTS - General Government I  
General Government II  
Education  
Public Health and Safety  
Public Works

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

CITY OF DANBURY

To: MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

A special meeting of the Common Council \_\_\_\_\_ of the City of Danbury will be held on the 10th day of May 1993 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at the City Hall in said Danbury.

For the purpose of

- 1. ORDINANCE - An Ordinance Making Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1993 and Ending June 30, 1994.
- 2. RESOLUTION - A Resolution Levying the Property Tax for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1993 and Ending June 30, 1994
- 3. ORDINANCE - Water Rates
- 4. BUDGET REPORTS - General Government I  
General Government II  
Education  
Public Health and Safety  
Public Works

Dated at Danbury, this 6th day of May 19 93

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ *[Signature]* Mayor  
 \_\_\_\_\_ *[Signature]* Clerk

To the sheriff or any policeman of the City of Danbury:

You are hereby required to notify the above named member \_\_\_\_\_ of the Common Council of the City of Danbury of the special meeting of said board by leaving with or at the usual place of abode or place of business of such member not less than 24 hours before the hour specified for said meeting, a notice in form annexed, and to make due return thereof at the time of said meeting.

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*[Signature]* Mayor



# RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

A RESOLUTION LEVYING THE PROPERTY TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
BEGINNING JULY 1, 1993 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 1994

SECTION 1. The sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Million \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Thousand and \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars  
( \_\_\_\_\_ ) representing the gross appropriation for the City of  
Danbury of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the fiscal year of July 1, 1993  
and ending June 30, 1994, minus Indirect Revenue of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and  
minus Estimated Available Fund Balance "Surplus" of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ plus  
uncollectible taxes reserve in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is  
hereby levied and assessed on all taxable property in the City of  
Danbury as set forth on the annual Grand List as of October 1, 1992.

SECTION 2. Accordingly, the General Fund Tax Rate for the fiscal  
year beginning July 1, 1993 and ending June 30, 1994 shall be as  
follows:

TAX RATE: \_\_\_\_\_ MILLS

SECTION 3. The taxes levied and assessed as hereinafter provided  
shall be payable in quarterly installments on July 1, 1993, October 1,  
1993, January 1, 1994, and April 1, 1994 except for taxes levied and  
assessed on aircraft, boats, mobile homes, motor vehicles and where  
not in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), which taxes shall be  
paid on July 1, 1993, in accordance with the General Statutes of the  
State of Connecticut, unless said dates shall have lapsed before the  
effective date of this resolution, in which case the Tax Collector  
shall fix the dates and installments as if said dates had not been  
fixed herein as provided by law.

SECTION 4. The Tax Collector shall cause the said taxes above  
levied and assessed to be inserted on the tax rolls for the fiscal  
year beginning July 1, 1993 and ending June 30, 1994.



# CITY OF DANBURY

155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

## COMMON COUNCIL

### REPORT

May 10, 1993

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

Re: General Government I Budget Committee

The General Government I Budget Committee met on April 20, 1993 and on May 3, 1993 in Room 432 in City Hall. The committee reviewed each of the budget entities referred to the General Government I Budget Committee. Council Member Dan Trocolla made the following motion, seconded by Council Member Charles:

"That the Common Council adopt the General Government I Budget as presented by the Mayor with the following changes:

1. Mayor's Office - 01-110 Regular Salaries #010100  
To reflect a 4% increase in the Mayor's Salary effective December 1, 1993  
Current salary \$63,124 to \$65,649 - reflects seven months only at an increase in this budget of \$1,457

Note: Mayors Salary to reflect a 4% increase in the 1994-95 Budget (mid-term) of \$68,275 effective July 1, 1994

2. City Clerk's Office - 01-111 Regular Salaries #010100  
To reflect a 4% increase in the City Clerk's Salary effective December 1, 1993  
Current Salary \$34,088 to \$35,452 - reflects seven months only or an increase required for this Budget of \$787.00

Note: City Clerk's salary to reflect a 4% increase in the 1994-95 budget (mid-term) of \$36,870 effective July 1, 1994.

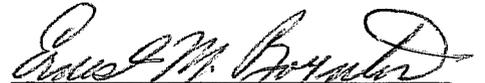
3. Town Clerk's Office - 01-161 - Regular Salaries #010100  
To reflect a 4% increase in the Town Clerk's Salary effective December 1, 1993  
Current salary \$50,183 to \$52,190 - reflects seven months only or an increase required for this budget of \$1,158.

Note: Town Clerk's Salary to reflect a 4% increase in the 1994-95 budget (mid-term) of \$54,278

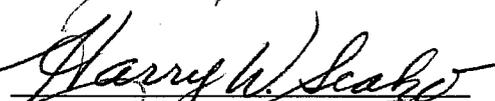
The total amount of \$3,402 should be reflected in a like amount as a decrease in the 14-001 Contingency Account. The committee asks

that the Common Council adopt the proposed additions and deductions.

Respectfully submitted,

  
ERNEST M. BOYNTON, Chair

  
EILEEN COLADARCI

  
HARRY W. SCALZO

  
DANIEL TROCOLLA

  
LOUIS T. CHARLES

  
MICHAEL S. FAZIO



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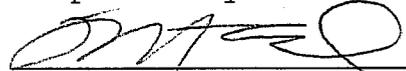
Re: General Government II Budget Committee

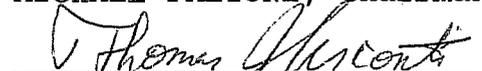
The General Government II Budget Committee met on May 5, 1993 at 7:30 P.M. in the Fourth Floor Lobby in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Falzone, Arconti and Scozzafava. Also in attendance was Council President Joseph DaSilva, ex-officio.

The committee discussed given the Treasurer a 4% raise which would be in conformity with the rest of the departments. The various grant agencies were then discussed and it was brought to the committee's attention that Hat City Boxing Club was left out of this year's budget and should be put back in. Mr. Falzone stated that it was also left out of last year's budget and the committee put it back in the budget at that time. The amount last year was \$5,000.00.

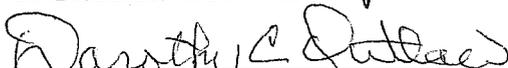
After further discussion, Mr. Scozzafava moved to recommend a 4% increase in the Treasurer's Salary for fiscal year 1993-94, effective 12-1-93 and 7-1-94 in the amount of \$441 and \$490 respectively. Seconded by Mr. Falzone. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Arconti moved to appropriate \$5,000 to the Hat City Boxing Club from the Contingency Account. Seconded by Mr. Scozzafava. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Scozzafava moved to accept the budget as proposed by the Mayor with the recommendations of the committee. Seconded by Mr. Arconti. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
MICHAEL FALZONE, Chairman

  
THOMAS ARCONTI

  
KATHLEEN DENNEHY

  
DOROTHY OUTLAW

  
JOSEPH SCOZZAFAVA



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## REPORT

### EDUCATION BUDGET 1993/1994

May 5, 1993

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

The Education Budget Liaison Committee met March 3, 1993 at 7:30 P.M. in the Fourth Floor Lobby and March 9, March 23, and April 27, 1993 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 432 of City Hall.

In attendance at the March 23, 1993 organizational meeting were Council members Setaro, Gogliettino, Scalzo and Scozzafava. Also in attendance was Councilman Dean Esposito, ex-officio. The committee discussed future meeting dates and areas of the budget adopted by the Board of Education about which members had questions, including non-personnel contracted services, grant funding, employee benefits and personnel.

Attending the March 9, 1993 committee meeting were Council committee members Setaro, Scalzo, Scozzafava and Fazio. Council members Trocolla, Outlaw and Dean Esposito attended ex-officio. Also in attendance were Board of Education members Rotello and Hogan, Superintendent of Schools Singe, Board of Education Finance Director Heidenreich and members of the public.

Mr. Setaro stated that the cost of non-personnel contracted services and the application of grant funds were the issues which the committee would address and questioned why costs associated with pupil transportation, liability insurance, mileage and utilities could not be held to fiscal year 1992/1993 spending levels. Mr. Heidenreich explained that savings would be realized from the implementation of the Ventana energy study, that reopening the pupil transportation contract with Laidlaw Bus Company could be pursued and that the increase associated with liability insurance costs may be less than projected. Mr. Scozzafava stated that any cost savings should be applied to education line items. He added that it is within the area of vendor services where savings should be sought as these reductions would impact the least upon the students.

Mr. Setaro inquired whether the projected \$5.1 million in state and federal grant funds were included within the Board budget totals and whether these funds could be applied so as to offset operating costs. Dr. Singe stated that these funds are not included in the Board's 1993/1994 operating budget figures, that the grant funds must be expended within the limits and purposes of the grants so as not to supplant the operating budget and that the 1992/1993 \$1 million Priority School District Grant was used to restore those areas which would have been cut without these funds.

In attendance at the March 23, 1993 committee meeting were Council members Setaro, Gogliettino, Scalzo, Scozzafava and Fazio. Councilwoman Coladarci attended ex-officio. Also in attendance were Board of Education members Rotello, Fenster, Hord and Mitchell, as well as Dr. Singe, Mr. Heidenreich and members of the public.

Mr. Setaro stated that the committee would address employee benefits and personnel issues. Ms. Gogliettino asked probative questions addressing the numerous components of the employee health plan and its management cost. Mr. Heidenreich responded that the benefits of self insurance would be investigated but that the collective bargaining agreement requires that comparable servicing of claims be provided, and added that health insurance costs may be less than projected. Ms. Gogliettino stated that cost saving opportunities and options should be aggressively investigated and pursued in this area.

Committee members inquired as to the status of an early retirement offering. Dr. Singe explained that an offering was under review but that the savings would be realized at the "front end", and that increased enrollment is unevenly distributed throughout the school system which impacts on staffing needs at each school. Mr. Scozzafava stated that he felt that savings could be achieved by establishing priorities and reducing overhead costs.

Attending the April 27, 1993 meeting were Council members Setaro, Gogliettino, Scalzo, Scozzafava and Fazio. Council members DaSilva, Trocolla and Coladarci attended ex-officio. Also in attendance were Board members Rotello and Hord as well as Dr. Singe and Mr. Heidenreich.

Mr. Fazio stated that temporary positions funded through grants should not be folded into the operating budget since this necessitates cuts which impact on programs benefitting students. Mr. Scalzo spoke of the need to contain the cost of contracted vendor services. Mr. Heidenreich and Dr. Singe explained that they and the Board are studying the feasibility of renegotiating transportation and equipment contracts and substantially reducing the increased costs associated with employee benefits. An early retirement

package has also been offered to educators and the manner in which grant funds are administered is under review.

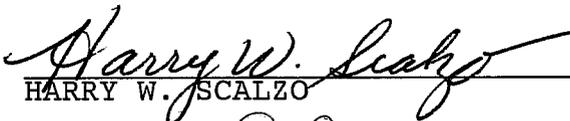
Mr. Setaro stated that the Mayor's proposed budget increases education funding by 3%, excluding any indirect savings which the Board may realize. Dr. Singe explained that if the Priority School District Grant is not received, the Board's request could potentially be reduced by \$2.3 million. All members of the committee expressed that the Board should continue to aggressively pursue cost saving options but added that they were uncomfortable with a potential \$2.3 million reduction to the Board's request. All committee members spoke in favor of the Board receiving the Priority School District Grant funds if approved by the General Assembly.

Mr. Scozzafava moved that the Education Budget Liaison Committee recommend to the Common Council the approval of the Mayor's proposed 1993/1994 Education Budget in the amount of \$60,052,357 and that the Board of Education receive the \$1 million Priority School District Grant if approved by the State Legislature. Seconded by Ms. Gogliettino. Motion passed unanimously.

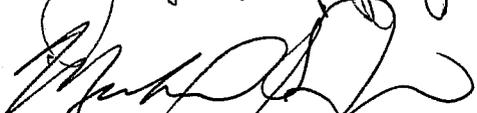
Respectfully submitted,

  
CHRISTOPHER C. SETARO, Chairman

  
DEBORAH R. GOGLIETTINO

  
HARRY W. SCALZO

  
JOSEPH E. SCOZZAFAVA

  
MICHAEL S. FAZIO



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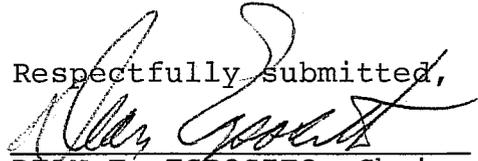
Re: Public Works Budget Committee

The Public Works Budget Committee met on May 5, 1993 in City Hall at 7:30 P.M. In attendance were committee members Dean Esposito, Cipriani, Cassano, John Esposito. Mr. Fazio was out of town on business. Also in attendance were Director of Public Works Jack Schweitzer, Superintendent of Public Utilities William Buckley, Director of Equipment Maintenance George Massoud, Tree Warden-City Forester Richard Smith, Chairman of the Tarrywile Park Authority Robert Lovell and Vice Chairman Gerry Daly.

The first portion of the budget to be reviewed was the Tarrywile Park Authority. Mr. Daly explained that the authority's request of \$116,051.00 is the amount necessary to provide the minimal support and protection to the operation of Tarrywile Park and its facilities. John Esposito asked what repercussions would be if the authority did not receive the additional \$16,051.00 not reflected in the Mayor's budget. Mr. Lovell said that they would have to cut back on certain services and basic maintenance.

The committee reviewed the information and reports received from other departments and after discussion, John Esposito made a motion to recommend approval of the level of funding as proposed in the Mayor's budget for the fiscal year 1993-94. Seconded by Mr. Cipriani. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

  
DEAN E. ESPOSITO, Chair

  
JOHN J. ESPOSITO

  
ANTHONY CASSANO

  
ALFRED CIPRIANI

  
MICHAEL S. FAZIO

RETURN OF SERVICE

By virtue of the within warning, I have served Notice on each of the members of the Common Council of the City of Danbury, of the Special Meeting of said Board, each Notice duly signed by the Mayor and City Clerk, by leaving such written Notice with each of the following members of said Common Council, to-wit:

NAME

TIME

- | <u>NAME</u>           | <u>TIME</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| 1. Michael Falzone    | 5:00        |
| 2. Tom Gronto         | 5:15        |
| 3. Duann Jamin        | 5:30        |
| 4. Johanna Cipriani   | 5:36        |
| 5. Carol Fayis        | 5:43        |
| 6. Gerry Sculzo       | 5:50        |
| 7. Linda DeSilva      | 5:55        |
| 8. Donna Scuzzalava   | 6:17        |
| 9. Millie Cassano     | 6:21        |
| 10. John C. Gaglietta | 6:41        |
| 11. Dawn Merrick      | 7:52        |
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Each Notice so served upon each member, all having been done by me on this date 05/06/93.

Attest: De Luca  
Policemen of the City of  
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1. Maria A. Gall 1728
2. Louise Charles 1736
3. DOROTHY OUTLAND (SPO BLIND) 1742
4. Lucille Danvers 1747
5. A. SETARO (SPO BLIND) 1754
6. TOM BOSCHIO (SPO BLIND) 1804
7. Ann B. [unclear] 1810
8. DANIEL TROCCOLA (SPO BLIND) 1816
9. Maria Caladani 1828
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- 10. *Handed Over for Dem Exposito 65 Jones Hill Rd*
- 11. *5-8-93, at 1125 hrs.*
- 12. *P.O. R. Nard #313*
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Each Notice so served upon each member, all having been done by me on this date 6 May 93.

Attest: *SP0 Paulino El*  
Policemen of the City of  
Danbury