

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

RE: Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held November 7, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Eriquez. The Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer were offered. The members were recorded as:

PRESENT - Scalzo, Abrantes, McAllister, Arconti, Coladarci, Boynton, Buzaid, Valeri, Machado, Shuler, Setaro, Esposito, Levy, Charles, Gomez Butera, Fox, Mead, Nolan

ABSENT - Basso, Gallagher
19 Present - 2 Absent
Mrs. Basso was on vacation

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Senator Mark Neilsen (R-24th) 183 Middle River Road - Spoke regarding item 5 - Resolution on General Assistance Program. He is in favor of this Resolution since the State is absorbing the program, the City should not have to make a balloon payment in the final quarter. The State's position on the balloon payment should be reversed. This would be a substantial savings to the City.

Margaret Mitchell, Main Street - supports the Ordinance on Loitering and also should consider a curfew for young people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Eriquez congratulated all those elected in Tuesday's election and thanked those who ran for their commitment to community service. He also thanked everyone who supported the Cityworks 2000 project.

Mayor Eriquez introduced Gadicherla Ganapathi who is visiting from Anakapalli, India.

Mayor Eriquez introduced members of Police Explorer's Post 33 who were in the audience, as well as Karen Andreas who is Explorer of the Year.

The City has also received a grant in the amount of \$38,524 from the Department of Justice. An advisory panel will be appointed to oversee the Safe Neighborhoods Program. Lt. Kevin Barry will sit on the committee.

Also, the Mayor recognized Fireman Patrick Sniffen who, off-duty, was a hero in rescuing a young girl in a tragic fire which claimed the lives of her two sisters. The City's prayers are with her and her family. Mayor Eriquez thanked all public safety personnel for their valiant efforts.

November 4th - Council Member Pauline Basso and her husband, Don, celebrated their anniversary.

November 8-10 - Western Connecticut State University Homecoming
November 10th - Jaycees Harvest Festival
November 11th - Veterans Day - ceremonies at Rogers Park
November 13th - Navy Band at Elks Club
November 20th - Community Justice Day
November 24th - PAL Raffle
November 25th - Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
November 28th - Thanksgiving - City Hall Closed
Danbury High School Football Game against
Ridgefield High School - 10:30 a.m. at DHS
December 1st - World AIDS Day

CONSENT CALENDAR - Mr. Esposito presented the following items for the Consent Calendar

- 4 - Approve application and adopt Resolution for State Department of Social Services Before and After School Grant - \$22,700
- 6 - Approve application and adopt Resolution for acceptance of FEMA Phase XIV Program funds from United Way of Northern Fairfield County for the period of October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997 - \$3,800
- 7 - Approve application and adopt Resolution for acceptance of Connecticut Department of Transportation Grant funds under the Statewide Speed Detection Program for purchase of Stalker K Band Radar Unit - \$1,334
- 9 - Approve Resolution reauthorizing the Office of Corporation Counsel to acquire interests in real property by negotiation or condemnation proceedings regarding airport rotating beacon site - City of Danbury v. Gemza and Raymond; City of Danbury v. Priano and Ferraguzzi
- 10 - Approve Resolution, Certificate of Notice of Assessment and List of Assessments related to Morgan Avenue final sewer assessments
- 12 - Approve Resolution authorizing the preparation of property descriptions for various easements associated with the acceptance of Royal Pine Drive, Fairway Drive and Country Way
- 13 - Approve Resolution authorizing the acquisition of parcel of property from Yankee Gas Services in connection with disposition of Redevelopment Parcel No. 9 to FUNN LLC and approve transfer of \$4,900 from Contingency Fund to line item Land Acquisition - Yankee Gas
- 14 - Approve reappointment of Cathie DiBuono and approve appointment Kris Ginty to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities
- 15 - Approve reappointments of Thomas Quinn, Walter Wayman and Seth Sanford to the Commission on Aging
- 16 - Approve appointment of Barbara Case and Susan Mazzucco to the Fair Rent Commission
- 17 - Approve appointment of Fil Cerminara to the Parks and Recreation Commission
- 18 - Approve appointment of Robert Morris to the Lake Kenosia Commission
- 19 - Approve appointment of Arnold Finaldi, Jr to the Parking Authority
- 23 - Approve reappropriation of donated funds in the amount of \$2,084 from the Elderly Services donations account to the Commission on Aging budget office supplies account
- 24 - Approve appointment of Attorney Daniel Casagrande and the law firm of Pinney, Payne, VanLenten, Burrell, Wolfe & Dillman, P.C. as Assistant Corporation Counsel
- 25 - Approve transfer of \$10,000 to the Fire Department Special Services Account
- 28 - Approve transfer of \$26,309 from the Contingency Fund to the Fire Department Maintain Buildings & Structures Account for roof replacement - Engine Nos. 4 and 6
- 29 - Approve receipt of October 16, 1996 positive Planning Commission Report regarding conveyance of City owned property located at corner of Main and Liberty Streets, declare said property as surplus and approve conveyance of said property to Guilherme F. and Aurora A. Bernardino
- 30 - Approve receipt of report from Corporation Counsel regarding request from Magna Companies for waiver of late payment fee to the Health Department for license renewal and take no action at this time
- 31 - Approve receipt of reports from City Engineer and Planning Department regarding offer to sell to the City property located at 129 - 133 South King Street and take no action at this time
- 33 - Approve receipt of October 16, 1996 positive Planning Commission Report and accept Fairmount Drive, Topfield Court West and Fairfield Court as City roads
- 49 - Approve Report and adoption of Ordinance regarding Denial of Property Tax Exemption on New Machinery and Equipment
- 50 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding request for sewer and water hookups - 46 Kenosia Avenue
- 51 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding Parcliff Development Associates - request for amendment to sewer and

- water approvals
- 52 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding request for water extension on Concord and/or Lombardi Streets
 - 53 - Approve report and recommendations regarding sewer and water extensions to McKay Road and Nabby Road
 - 54 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding request to use old constables building
 - 55 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding request for Oak Lane and Hillside Road to be accepted for snow plowing
 - 57 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding purchase of land on Osborne Street
 - 59 - Approve Report and recommendations regarding request for water extension at 3 - 5 South Street
 - 60 - Approve Progress Report and recommendations regarding water problem on Laurel Street

Mr. Charles made a motion that the Consent Calendar be adopted as read. Seconded by Mr. Mead.

Regarding item 12, Attorney Gottschalk clarified that this authorizes the acquisition of the easements and item 33 - is approving the conveyance of a well lot.

Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES - Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held October 1, 1996 and the Special Meeting held October 21, 1996. Mr. Setaro made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and waive the reading as all members have copies which are on file in the Office of the City Clerk for public inspection. Seconded by Ms. Fox and passed unanimously.

1 - ORDINANCE - Citations. Mr. Scalzo asked that this be deferred to public hearing. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

2 - ORDINANCE - Loitering; Unlawful Assemblies. Ms. Fox asked that this be deferred to public hearing. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

3 - ORDINANCE - Amendments to Danbury Downtown Special Services District. Mrs. Abrantes asked that this be deferred to public hearing. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

4 - RESOLUTION - Before and After School Program

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT Mayor Gene F. Eriquez, is empowered to enter into and amend contractual instruments in the name and on behalf of the City of Danbury with the Department of Social Services of the State of Connecticut for a School-Age Child Care Program, and to affix the corporate seal.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

5 - RESOLUTION - General Assistance Program

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State will assume full control of the General Assistance program from the City of Danbury on April 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, this action will translate into significant future savings to the City of Danbury, according to the Legislature's non-partisan Office of Fiscal Analysis; and

WHEREAS, current law hold the City of Danbury liable for a "balloon" payment of approximately \$295,750 in the calendar quarter immediately preceding the state's assumption of General Assistance; and

WHEREAS, this final quarter cost mandates that the City paid 100 percent of cash benefits and 33 percent of medical claims incurred during the months of January, February and March, 1997, in the General Assistance program; and

WHEREAS, said mandate is an extraordinary burden upon the taxpayers of the City of Danbury;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

That the State of Connecticut is urged to completely absorb costs pertaining to the provisions of cash and medical services by cities, including Danbury, during the months of January, February, and March, 1997, within the General Assistance program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the City Clerk is directed to submit a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Connecticut as well as the Acting Director of the Office of Policy and Management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the legislative delegation from the City of Danbury is urged to support legislation in the 1997 session of the Connecticut General Assembly which will facilitate the purposes of this Resolution and thereby bring needed expenditure relief to the people of the City of Danbury.

Mr. Boynton made a motion that the Resolution be adopted as presented. Seconded by Mr. Nolan. Mr. Setaro offered an amendment changing the 32 percent to 33 percent and adding "at least the current rate". Seconded by Mr. Nolan.

Mrs. Butera stated that this should be dealt with by the Legislative delegation. Mr. Nolan stated that it makes good sense to add the above wording. Mr. Levy asked if this is non-binding and Mayor Eriquez stated that it was. Motion to amend passed unanimously.

Main motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

6 - RESOLUTION - Federal Emergency Management Agency Agreement

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), working through the United Way of Northern Fairfield County, Inc., is allocating funds from its Phase XIV Program for the greater Danbury area to be used for emergency food and shelter; and

WHEREAS, the Welfare Department of the City of Danbury has applied for funds not to exceed \$7,000.00 from said program to help offset the cost of operating the City's Homeless Shelter at 41 New Street; and

WHEREAS, the grant period extends from October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997, with no local match required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the actions of Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor of the City of Danbury, and the Department of Welfare in applying for said grant are hereby ratified; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Gene F. Eriquez is hereby authorized to accept said funds if offered through the United Way of Northern Fairfield County, Inc., and to execute any agreements or other documents necessary to effectuate the purpose of said grant.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

7 - RESOLUTION - Connecticut Statewide Speed Detection Program Grant

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation under its Statewide Speed Detection Equipment Program has made funds available to Connecticut municipalities to be used toward the purchase of a Stalker K Band Radar Unit or its upgraded versions, or toward the purchase price of a laser speed detection unit; and

WHEREAS, applications for a grant of \$1,334.00 are being accepted from such municipalities through local police departments; and

WHEREAS, no local cash match is required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Gene F. Eriquez, Mayor of the City of Danbury, is hereby authorized to apply for and accept said grant and do all things necessary to accomplish the purposes thereof. Be it further resolved that all past actions of the Mayor in regard to said grant are hereby ratified.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

8 - RESOLUTION - Diagnostic Studies of Lake Candlewood

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection has solicited a request from municipalities and Lake Commissions for proposals for diagnostic studies of lakes from the program entitled, "*Grants to Improve Water Quality of Lakes used for Public Recreation*"; and

WHEREAS, Lake Kenosia represents a valuable resource to the City for public recreation and as a secondary reservoir for the City of Danbury's water system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury needs information about the relationship of development in the watershed to the rate of input of nutrients that stimulate nuisance weeds which interfere with the recreational functions of the Lake and which will accelerate the aging of the Lake; and

WHEREAS, The City of Danbury Health Department has prepared a proposal for conducting a paleolimnological diagnostic study to establish the relationship between development in the watershed and the nutrient flux to the Lake, which can provide a foundation of information for the development of a lake and watershed management plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Common Council of the City of Danbury authorizes Mayor Gene F. Eriquez to apply for funding in the amount of \$31,225.00 from the "*Grants to Improve Water Quality of Lakes used for Public Recreation*" program, to accept said grant if approved, to sign all documents therefor, and to do all things necessary to effectuate the purposes of said grant.

Mr. Boynton made a motion to accept the communication and adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Mead. Mr. McAllister asked if any matching funds would be necessary. Mayor Eriquez said no but there would be in-kind services by existing personnel.

Motion carried unanimously.

9- RESOLUTION - Airport Rotating Beacon Site Acquisition of Access Properties - City v. Gemza and Raymond; City v. Priano and Ferraguzzi

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 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.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

10 - RESOLUTION - Final Sewer Assessments - Morgan Avenue

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury caused a sewer line to be installed known as the Morgan Avenue Sanitary Sewer; and

WHEREAS, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut require that assessments be made against property owners who benefit from said line; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has determined the amount of said assessments, after public hearing, all according to law; and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-253 authorizes the installment payment of assessments levied as the result of benefits derived from the installation of sewerage systems; and

WHEREAS, said installment method of payment is deemed to be in the best interests of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Assessment of Benefits fixed herein shall be due and payable on or before January 2, 1997 provided, however, that said assessments may be paid in installments in accordance herewith; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tax Collector of the City of Danbury is hereby directed to file the appropriate Certificates of Notice of Installment Payment of Assessment of Benefits in the Land Records of the City of Danbury; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following provisions shall apply to installments of sewer benefit assessments in connection with the Morgan Avenue Sanitary Sewer:

1. The payment of any benefits by installments hereunder shall be in not more than nineteen (19) equal annual payments.

2. The minimum annual installment payment shall be ONE HUNDRED (\$100.00) DOLLARS.

3. The interest on any deferred payments hereunder shall be due at a rate per annum of 5.50 percent. Any person may pay any installment for which he is liable at any time prior to the due date thereof and no interest on any such installment shall be charged beyond the date of such payment.

4. The Town Clerk shall record on the Land Records of the City of Danbury a certificate signed by the Tax Collector of said City in a form substantially as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE OF INSTALLMENT PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT OF BENEFITS

The undersigned Tax Collector of the City of Danbury in the County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut hereby certifies from the date hereof an installment payment plan is in effect for payment of an assessment of benefits for the installation of a sewerage system, in favor of the City of Danbury, upon real property situated in said City, which real property is more fully described in the City Land Records in:

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The notice of such assessment of sewerage benefits herein certified is to _____ (owner of property), the principal of which is \$_____ due to said City of Danbury, together with legal interest fees and charges thereon assessed on January 2, 1997 in the name of _____, and the same becomes due on January 2, 1997 and may be paid in annual installment payments of \$_____ each plus interest at the rate of 5.50 percent on the unpaid balance and continuing to _____.

This certificate is filed pursuant to Section 7-253 of the General Statutes, as amended.

The property assessed is:

Lot _____ Street _____

Item NO. _____

Tax Collector

Received _____, 19__

At _____ M.

Recorded in the Danbury Land Records

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Assessments of Benefits by virtue of the construction of the sewer project are hereby fixed as follows:

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

11 - RESOLUTION - Danbury-Torrington JPTA Administration

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, funds have been made available under the federal Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), 29 U.S.C. 1501 et seq. through the Connecticut Department of Labor to the Danbury / Torrington JPTA Administration; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Act is to establish programs to prepare youth and adults facing serious barriers to employment to participate in the work force by providing job training and other services to increase work skills, employment and earnings; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Danbury to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement Between the Chief Elected Officials of the Danbury / Torrington Service Delivery Area and the Danbury / Torrington Private Industry Council D/B/A Danbury / Torrington Regional Workforce Development Board (D/T RWFDB) under the Job Training Partnership Act; and

WHEREAS, no local dollar match is required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor Gene F. Eriquez is hereby authorized to execute said Memorandum of Agreement and to do all things necessary to effecuate the purposes thereof.

Mrs. Abrantes made a motion that the communication be accepted and the Resolution adopted. Seconded by Mr. Boynton. Mr. Nolan asked about the Danbury-Torrington connection. Mayor Eriquez stated that the districts are established by the State.

Motion carried unanimously.

12 - RESOLUTION - Road Acceptance Mayfair Estates

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury is considering the acceptance of roadways within the subdivisions known as Mayfair Gates/Mayfair Estates; and,

WHEREAS, the acceptance of these roadways will only be possible if they can be acquired together with certain drainage and turnaround easements; and,

WHEREAS, the acquisition of said easements is in the best interests of the City of Danbury; and,

WHEREAS, eminent domain proceedings will be necessary if the City of Danbury cannot agree with the property owners involved upon the amount to be paid for the easements over the affected parcels of real property;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation Counsel of the City of Danbury is hereby authorized to acquire the easements described in Exhibits A through I attached hereto and made a part hereof, either by negotiation or by eminent domain through the institution of suit against the interested property owners and the holders of mortgages encumbering the properties, if any.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

13 - RESOLUTION - Redevelopment - FUNN LIC Yankee Gas Services Company Property Acquisition - Eminent Domain

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

WHEREAS, the City of Danbury, acting through its Redevelopment Agency, has established a Redevelopment Plan which is designed to further the renewal and revitalization of downtown Danbury; and,

WHEREAS, a portion of the Redevelopment Plan provides for the improvement of Redevelopment Parcel #9, located on the easterly side of Patriot Drive; and,

WHEREAS, in order to implement this portion of the Redevelopment Plan the acquisition of a small triangular parcel of property from Yankee Gas Services Company will be necessary; and,

WHEREAS, eminent domain proceedings will be required if the City of Danbury cannot agree with Yankee Gas Services Company upon the amount to be paid for its interest in said parcel;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation Counsel of the City of Danbury is hereby authorized to acquire the parcel of property described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, either by negotiation or by eminent domain through the institution of suit against Yankee Gas Services Company, its successors and assigns, and the holders of mortgages encumbering the property, if any.

The Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

14 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Gene F. Eriquez requesting confirmation of the reappointment of Cathie DiBuono to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a term to expire March 1, 1996 and the appointment of Kris Ginty for a term to expire March 1, 1999. The appointments were approved on the Consent Calendar.

15 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Eriquez requesting confirmation of the reappointments of Thomas Quinn, Walter Wayman, and Seth Sanford to the Commission on Aging for terms to expire October 1, 1999. The reappointments were confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

16 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Eriquez requesting confirmation of Barbara Case to the Fair Rent Commission for a term to expire July 1, 1997 and Susan Mazzucco for a term to expire July 1, 1999. The appointments were confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

17 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Eriquez requesting confirmation of the appointment of Fil Cerminara to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire December 1, 1998. The appointment was confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

18 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Eriquez requesting confirmation of the appointment of Robert E. Morris, Jr., to the Lake Kenosia Commission for a term to expire May 1, 1998. The appointment was confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

19 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Mayor Eriquez requesting confirmation of Arnold Finaldi, Jr. to the Parking Authority for a term to expire July 1, 1999. The appointment was confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

20 - COMMUNICATION - Request from Library Director Betsy McDonough for permission to accept donations to the Library in the amount to \$20,220.00 and a request from Director of Finance Dominic Setaro for approval of the reappropriation of that sum.

Mr. Boynton made a motion to accept the donations, reappropriate the funds and send letters of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Nolan. Ms. Fox noted the generous \$20,000 from the Danbury Hospital Auxiliary. Motion carried unanimously.

21 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Fire Chief Carmen Oliver requesting approval to accept a donation of \$1,895.00 from the Fire Department Personnel to be used toward the purchase of an exercise machine. Mr. Levy made a motion to accept the donation, credit the proper line item and send a letter of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Charles. Motion carried unanimously.

22 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Director of the Department of Elderly Services requesting permission to accept donations in the amount of \$1,721.00 for use by the Senior Center. Mr. Mead made a motion to accept the donations, credit the proper line items and send letters of thanks. Seconded by Mr. Shuler. Motion carried unanimously.

23 - COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Letter from Director of Elderly Services Leo McIlrath requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$2,084.00 from the Elderly Services donations account to the Commission on Aging budget. A certification of funds was attached. The request was approved on the Consent Calendar.

24 - COMMUNICATION - Request to appoint the law firm of Pinney, Payne, Van Lenten, Burrell, Wolfe & Dillman as Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Danbury. The appointment was confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

25 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Fire Chief Carmen Oliver requesting that \$10,000 be added to the Special Services Account for the fire watch account. All revenues will be returned to the General Fund. The request was approved on the Consent Calendar.

26 - COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Patriot Drive and Liberty Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement. Letter from William Buckley requesting that an appropriation of \$115,000.00 from the sewer fund be made to the sewer budget for the purpose of providing funding for the engineering and construction of the above project. Mr. Setaro made a motion that the communication be accepted and the appropriation approved. Seconded by Ms. Fox. Motion carried unanimously.

27 - COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Request from Mayor Gene F. Eriguez requesting approval of an appropriation of \$118,800.00 for the demolition of the Castro building on Rowan Street. A certification of funds was attached. Mr. Boynton made a motion to accept the communication and authorize the transfer of funds. Miss Fox asked that after the lot is cleared will the City recoup the fair market value. Mayor Eriguez stated that bids would be solicited once it is cleared. Motion carried unanimously.

28 - COMMUNICATION & CERTIFICATION - Request from Fire Chief Carmen Oliver that the sum of \$26,309.00 be transferred from the Contingency Account to the proper account for roof replacement at Engine Co. #4 and #6. A certification of funds was attached. The transfer of funds was authorized on the Consent Calendar.

29 - COMMUNICATION - Reports from Corporation Counsel, the Planning Commission, the Planning Director and the City Engineer regarding the transfer of land at the corner of Main and Liberty Streets. The recommendation was for approval of the transfer. The reports were accepted on the Consent Calendar.

30 - COMMUNICATION - Report from Corporation Counsel Eric Gottschalk regarding the request for a late fee waiver for a food service establishment stating that there is no authority under current state law for such a waiver. The report was accepted on the Consent Calendar.

31 - COMMUNICATION - Reports from City Engineer Jack Schweitzer and Dennis Elpern, Planning Director stating that there is no need at this time for the City to purchase land at 129-133 King Street. The reports were adopted on the Consent Calendar.

32 - COMMUNICATION - Reports from the City Engineer and the Corporation Counsel recommending an easement be granted for a sanitary sewer on Old Neversink Road. Mrs. Butera asked that this be referred to the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

33 - COMMUNICATION - Report from the Planning Commission recommending acceptance of Fairmount Drive, Topfield Court West and Fairfield Court. The report was accepted on the Consent Calendar.

34 - COMMUNICATION - Drainage Problem at 25 Mountainville Avenue. Mr. Machado asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee and the Director of Public Works. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Buzaid, Valeri and Mead to the committee.

35 - COMMUNICATION - Drainage Problem at 23 Woodbury Drive. Ms. Fox asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee and the Director of Public Works. The Mayor so ordered and appointed Council Members Coladarci, Arconti and Basso to the committee.

36 - COMMUNICATION - Request to accept Hillside Road and Oak Lane as City Roads. Mrs. Butera asked that this be referred to the City Engineer and the Planning Commission for reports back within thirty days. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

37 - COMMUNICATION - Request to exchange property on Mountainville Avenue. Ms. Fox asked that this be referred to the City Engineer, the Director of Planning and the Planning Commission for reports back within thirty days. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

38 - COMMUNICATION - Offer to sell land to the City at the corner of East Franklin Street and Maple Avenue. Mrs. Butera asked that this be referred to the City Engineer, the Director of Planning and the Planning Commission for reports back within thirty days. The Mayor so ordered.

39 - COMMUNICATION - Proposed lease between the City of Danbury and the Police Athletic League. Mr. Levy made a motion that the lease be adopted as proposed. Seconded by Mr. Charles. Attorney Gottschalk stated that there are some members that have questions about the lease and recommends that it go to a committee. Mr. Levy withdrew his motion. Mr. Charles withdrew his second. Mr. Levy asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee and the Corporation Counsel. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Setaro, Levy and Mead to the committee.

40 - COMMUNICATION - Redevelopment Contract - FUNN LLC. Mrs. Abrantes asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Planning Director, the Planning Commission, the Corporation Counsel and a representative of the Redevelopment Agency. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Setaro, Esposito, Levy and Mead to the committee.

41 - COMMUNICATION - Tax Sale Acquisitions. Mrs. Butera asked that this be referred to the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered.

42 - COMMUNIATION - Signal Pole Easement on Kenosia Avenue. Mr. Setaro made a motion that the easement for a signal pole on Kenosia Avenue be approved. Seconded by Ms. Fox. Motion carried unanimously.

43 - COMMUNICATION - Petition for sewers at 85 Great Plain Road. Mrs. Abrantes asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the City Engineer, the Superintendent of Public Utilities and the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Arconti, Coladarci and Basso to the committee.

44 - COMMUNICATION - Request for sewer extension on Patriot Drive and Pahquioque Avenue. Mr. Gomez asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the City Engineer, the Superintendent of Public Utilities and the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Setaro, Esposito, Levy and Mead to the committee.

45 - COMMUNICATION - Request for sewer extension on North Lindencrest Drive. Ms. Fox asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the City Engineer, the Superintendent of Public Utilities and the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Levy, Shuler and Mead to the committee.

46 - COMMUNICATION - Request for water extension on Edgewood Street. Mrs. Butera asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the Superintendent of Public Utilities and the Planning Commission. The Mayor so ordered and appointed Council Members Charles, Gomez and Nolan to the committee.

47 - COMMUNICATION - Request for sewer and water extensions on 89 Mill Plain Road. Ms. Fox asked that this be referred to an ad hoc committee, the City Engineer, the Superintendent of Public Utilities and the Planning Commission. Mayor Eriquez so ordered and appointed Council Members Gallagher, Butera and Mead to the committee.

48 - DEPARTMENT REPORTS - Fire Chief, Fire Marshall, Police, Engineering, Public Utilities, Health and Housing, Highways, Welfare, Elderly Services, Parks and Recreation. Mr. Setaro made a motion that the department reports be accepted as submitted and the reading waived as all members have copies which are on file in the Office of the City Clerk for public inspection. Seconded by Ms. Fox. Council Members Shuler, Mead and Levy commented on the thoroughness of the reports this month. Motion carried unanimously.

49 - REPORT & ORDINANCE - Manufacturers Tax Exemption

Mr. Setaro submitted the following report:

The Common Council met as a Committee of the Whole at 7:10 P.M. on October 21, 1996 in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall to review the proposed ordinance the adoption of which would deny to manufacturers a property tax exemption on new machinery and equipment.

City Assessor Robert Coyne explained that manufacturers which are eligible for a property tax exemption on new machinery and equipment would be denied that exemption where they are delinquent in payment of local property taxes. He added that, if adopted by the Council, each manufacturer will be notified in advance of the ordinance and will be given ample time to pay the delinquency or reach an agreement on a payment plan with the Tax Collector in order to maintain the equipment exemption. Acting Corporation Counsel Eric Gottschalk stated that the proposed ordinance complies with a recently adopted state statute enabling municipalities to deny the manufacturers' tax exemption if local property taxes are due and that this is another means for the City to collect delinquent property taxes.

Mr. Levy moved to recommend to the Common Council the adoption of the proposed ordinance. Seconded by Mrs. Coladarci and passed unanimously.

Be it Ordained by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

THAT the Code of Ordinances of Danbury, Connecticut is hereby amended by adding a section to be numbered 18-26, which said section reads as follows:

SEC.18-26. Denial of property tax exemption on new machinery and equipment.

A claim for property tax exemption under subdivision 72 of section 12-81 of the Connecticut General Statutes may be denied by the Danbury tax assessor, with the consent of the Mayor, if the claimant is delinquent in a property tax payment to the City of Danbury, pursuant to section 12-146 of the Connecticut General Statutes, for property owned by such claimant. Before any such claim is denied, the assessor shall send written

notice to the claimant, stating that he may pay the amount of such delinquent tax or enter into an agreement with the City of Danbury for the payment thereof, by the date set forth in said notice, provided such date shall not be less than thirty days after the date of such notice. Failure on the part of the claimant to pay the amount of the delinquent tax or enter into an agreement to pay the amount thereof by said date shall result in a disallowance of the exemption being claimed.

The report was accepted and the ordinance adopted on the Consent Calendar.

50- REPORT - Request for Sewer and Water Hookups - 46 Kenosia Avenue

Mr. Valeri submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review a request for sewer and water hookups at 46 Kenosia Avenue met on Tuesday, October 8, 1996 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Valeri, Fox and Mead. Also in attendance were Superintendent of Public Utilities William Buckley, City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Attorney Heidi Winslow representing the petitioner and members of the Meadowbrook Vista Homeowners Association, Glenna Castner, Kevin Castner and Eleanor Scheer.

Ms. Winslow provided the committee with a brief chronology of events leading up to the request, citing a history of septic system failure, unfulfilled abatement orders and the ongoing efforts of the Meadowbrook Homeowners Association to acquire the property which is presently in receivership as a result of the previous owners failure to remedy the situation. She further explained that Danbury's Union Savings Bank will provide the necessary financing for the intended acquisition pending the approval of this request.

Mr. Valeri cited the Planning Commission's positive recommendation for this request. After considerable discussion it was suggested by Mr. Buckley and Mr. Schweitzer that the request for water be considered separately as a simple water extension since the apparent problems seem to exist after the meter within the boundaries of the Meadowbrook Vista property and may very well be remedied privately and at considerable less expense to the property owners.

Mr. Mead moved to recommend approval of the water extension subject to the customary eight steps. The motion was seconded by Miss Fox and passed unanimously.

Ms. Fox then moved to recommend approval of the request for sewers to the property subject to the standard assessment methodology. Motion was seconded by Mr. Mead and passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

51 - REPORT - Parcliff Development Associates - Request for Amendment to sewer and water approvals

Mr. Scalzo submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for an amendment to the original approval to allow the issuance of 62 building permits prior to the delivery of the water system to the City met at 8:15 P.M. on October 22, 1996 in Room 432 in City Hall. Present were Council Members Scalzo and Coladarci. Mrs. Basso had a prior commitment. Also in attendance were City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Carl Kuehner, the petitioner and Attorney Ed Hannafin representing the petitioner.

Mr. Schweitzer gave a history of the project, reviewing the original plans and the current plans. Attorney Hannafin and Mr. Kuehner displayed maps of the project and stated their reasons for requesting the amendment. It was also reported that the Planning Commission made a positive recommendation at its October 16, 1996 meeting.

Mrs. Coladarci made a motion to approve the request with an amendment to the approval allowing the issuance of 62 building permits prior to the delivery of the water system to the City and that no certificate of occupancy will be issued until the system is turned over to the City. Seconded by Mr. Scalzo and passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

52 - REPORT - Request for Water Extension on Concord and/or Lombardi Streets

Mr. Scalzo submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for water extension on Concord and/or Lombardi Streets met on October 22, 1996 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. Present were Council Members Scalzo, Charles and Basso. Also in attendance were City Engineer Jack Schweitzer and Superintendent of Public Utilities William Buckley and Forel Lance Brevard the petitioner.

A letter was presented from the Planning Commission which stated a positive recommendation for the water extension as proposed.

Mr. Buckley and Mr. Schweitzer both stated that both roadways are private roads and that the houses are served by City water although the pipelines are privately owned. There are legal concerns that have to be overcome by the petitioner, should the request be granted and before the project goes forward. Mr. Buckley recommended that the request be granted since 80% of the existing homes are now being served and it provided a good opportunity for the City to work with the property owners in supplying certain material and correcting future problems which could occur at any time with the existing pipeline. It would also add to fire protection since a hydrant would be installed along with the new pipeline.

Mrs. Basso made a motion to approve the extension of water on Corcord Street from Merrimac Street following the eight steps for water and sewer extensions with an additional 9th step which is to include the materials provided by the City; approximately 350 feet of ductile iron pipe, hydrant assembly, a wet tap sleeve and valve, picked up at City Public Works and roadwork repaired to the condition previous to excavation. Mr. Charles seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

53 - REPORT - Sewer and Water Extensions to McKay Road and Nabby Road

Mr. Scalzo submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request of a six month extension of time to commence work on sewer and water extension to McKay Road and Nabby Road met at 8:00 P.M. on October 22, 1996 in Room 432 in City Hall. Present were committee members Scalzo and Coladarci. Committee Member Basso was unable to attend because of a prior commitment. Also in attendance were City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Carl Kuehner representing Parcliff Development Associates/Silversmith Heights at Sterling Woods and Ed Hannafin, attorney for the petitioner.

A letter was read from the Planning Commission stating a positive recommendation for the extension of time. Mr. Schweitzer gave a brief history of the project and Attorney Hannafin explained the reasons for the request. Mrs. Coladarci made a motion to grant a 6 month extension of time to commence the extensions which were already granted on April 4, 1995. Motion passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Mr. Valeri submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review a request by Danbury Fish and Game Association, Inc. to use the former Constables Building on Hayestown Road met on Wednesday, September 18, 1996 at 8:30 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Valeri and Buzaid. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Robert Ryerson, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission Bob Gentry, Building Inspector Leo Null, City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Assistant Corporation Counsel Laszlo Pinter, Council Member Pauline Basso, ex-officio, and members of the Danbury Fish and Game Association, Joseph Pepin, Walter Regan, Sr., Neal Kinney, Charles Flanagan and Donald Sauer. Council Member Mead was unable to attend.

Mr. Pepin expressed the desire of Danbury Fish and Game Association to assist the City in rehabilitating the former Constables building located opposite Candlewood Town Park, citing its present state of disrepair and the need to rectify these conditions as soon as possible. Mr. Pepin further stated the group's intent to promote the sporting life in targeting the youth of the community and that the location in close proximity to the lake and the anticipated PAL complex would serve both the organization and community alike. He also stated that the building could be fully utilized as a meeting place for other groups as well.

Mr. Ryerson stated that the Department of Parks and Recreation had at one time entertained the idea of relocating its offices to that building but no longer intends to do so and expressed support for this request. Mr. Null and Mr. Schweitzer both supported the claims of the building being in a state of disrepair citing the former Constables' efforts to rehab as insufficient.

After lengthy discussion, it was determined to be of mutual advantage to allow a more detailed investigation as to the extent and potential expense of necessary rehabilitation of the subject property, thus allowing for more informed decisions on this matter.

Consensus opinion of the committee was in support of the request conceptually. However, a final recommendation to be Common Council would be withheld until the aforementioned concerns are answered and a more definitive plan to address these concerns is offered. The committee thus instructed the Danbury Fish and Game Association to report back within 60 days with the requested information.

The committee reconvened on Wednesday, October 23, 1996 at 8:00 P.M. in the Fourth Floor Lobby in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Valeri, Buzaid and Mead. Also in attendance were Director of Parks and Recreation Robert Ryerson, Building Inspector Leo Null, Assistant Corporation Counsel Laszlo Pinter, Council Member Pauline Basso, ex-officio and the aforementioned members of the Danbury Fish and Game Association.

Mr. Pepin brought the committee up to date on the progress made in enlisting the services of licensed professionals, most notable John Howley and Tony Pevornik of Abbott Tech, who will tentatively be supervising the rehabilitation of the subject property. He further suggested the anticipated contributions of others, either in services and/or materials pending approval of this request. Mr. Regan supplied the committee with a list of necessary and suggested repairs and improvements as compiled by Building Inspector Leo Null, with Mr. Pepin stating the Association's intent to phase in the work, initially bringing it up to code and securing a certificate of occupancy.

Mr. Null expressed his support of this request and is encouraged by the involvement of Abbott Tech. He further suggested that since the septic and well are suspect at best, and sewer and water will be supplied as part of the PAL building project, the committee might consider a sewer and water extension to this building as well. Mr. Pinter suggested that if it is the intent of the committee to recommend approval of this request, it should be initially limited to a license agreement, allowing access in order to bring the building up to code and that anticipated use of the property be considered at a later date.

Mr. Mead entered a motion to recommend approval of a license agreement between the City and Danbury Fish and Game Association, Inc. to allow access to the former Constables Building in order to make repairs and improvements necessary to secure a Certificate of Occupancy. Additionally, and in conjunction with the pending PAL building project, it is further recommended that the City Engineer and Superintendent of Public Utilities consider an extension of sewer and water to the subject property. Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzaid and passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

55 - REPORT - Request for Oak Lane and Hillside Road to be accepted for Snow Plowing

Mr. Scalzo submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for Oak Lane and Hillside Road to be accepted for snow plowing met on October 22, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. Present were committee members Scalzo, Buzaid and Mead. Also in attendance Jack Schweitzer, City Engineer and Director of Public Utilities William Buckley.

Portions of a detailed letter written by Corporation Counsel Eric Gottschalk were read which referred to Section 17-34 and Sections 2-143.1 through 2-143.12 of the Danbury Code of Ordinances. The letter also explained the responsibilities of the City and that the Common Council has no authority to grant this request.

Mr. Mead made a motion to deny the plowing of these private roads, Oak Lane and Hillside Road by the City. Mr. Buzaid seconded the motion. There was further discussion by Mr. Buckley and Mr. Schweitzer as to the policy and practice of the City and its responsibility as to various types of emergencies and their experience. The motion passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

56 - REPORT - Hazardous Materials Response Proposal

Mr. Setaro submitted the following report:

The committee appointed to review the hazardous materials response proposal met on October 29, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 432 of City Hall. In attendance were committee members Setaro, Levy and Mead as well as Council members Scalzo and Abrantes, ex-officio. Also attending were Fire Chief Carmen Oliver, Deputy Fire Chief Peter Siecienski, Director of Finance Dominic Setaro, Coordinator of Environmental Services Jack Kozuchowski and Michael Casper representing the State Department of Environmental Protection. Attending on behalf of the State Volunteer Fire Fighters Association was Council member Paul McAllister, Lou DeMici and Mark Omasta represented the Firefighters' Local, Ms. Clarice Osiecki represented the Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce, and several representatives of local businesses were also in attendance.

Mr. Kozuchowski and Mr. Casper spoke in favor of the proposal and explained that currently local Firefighters are excluded from functions of rescue and identification of potential hazardous materials at the scene of an incident and must await the arrival of personnel from the DEP from other areas of the state, that the initial 2 hours of an incident are most critical for performing these functions and that this proposal would allow an immediate local response that would complement rather than duplicate DEP services. Deputy Chief Siecienski explained that the proposal is much more narrowly tailored and cost efficient than those proposed in the past, that current personnel would be trained as opposed to the establishment of a dedicated team and that this proposal would result in upgraded service delivery and would meet the demands of the City and business community. Chief Oliver added that the proposal was aimed at the initial response to a hazardous materials situation, that overtime and contractual manpower costs would not increase and that if adopted, this proposal would not be expanded to provide this service to other communities through existing mutual aid agreements.

The Director of Finance explained that the proposal start up cost is approximately \$105,000.00 and would be borne through the donations of a vehicle and \$20,000.00 from the business community and that the City share totalled approximately \$50,000.00, that future annual City costs would total \$5,000.00 and that costs associated with equipment and local personnel participating in a hazardous materials situation are reimbursable to the City by the party responsible for the incident. Ms. Osiecki and various representatives of the business community added that the proposed additional training would allow for rescue functions to be performed by local Firefighters, that the recent hazardous materials incident had heightened their concern regarding similar future incidents and that the strong support of the business community is evidenced through their willingness to offer equipment and monetary donations.

Ms. Osiecki and Chief Oliver stated that the target date for implementing the proposal is July 1997 and that action by the committee would make it more likely that the required training of personnel and fitting of the donated vehicle would be complete by that time. Mr. Levy inquired as to whether standard operating procedures were in place if the fire department were to respond to a hazardous material situation under this proposal. Mr. Kozuchowski and Chief Oliver stated that the current community emergency response plan outlines the procedures in the event of an incident and that these procedures are consistent with those required for proposals of this type under state and federal regulations. Mr. Levy stated his support for the proposal conditioned on receipt of detailed standard operating procedures for Firefighter personnel under this proposal.

After much discussion, Mr. Mead moved that the committee recommend to the Common Council the adoption of the proposed hazardous materials response proposal contingent upon the appropriation of \$75,831.00 of which \$20,000 will be monetary donations to the City and the balance of \$55,831.00 from the contingency account pending certification from the Director of Finance. Seconded by Mr. Setaro and passed unanimously.

Mr. Boynton made a motion that the report be adopted as read. Seconded by Mrs. Coladarci. Mr. Setaro offered an amendment that the report be committed to a committee of the whole for a presentation. Seconded by Mr. Mead. Motion to amend passed unanimously. Main motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

57 - REPORT - Purchase of land on Osborne Street

Mrs. Coladarci submitted the following report:

The subcommittee to review the purchase of land on Osborne Street met at 7:00 P.M. in the Fourth Floor Lobby in City Hall on October 28, 1996. In attendance were committee members Coladarci, Gallagher and Nolan. Also in attendance were Director of Public Works Jack Schweitzer, Corporation Counsel Eric Gottschalk and Pat Archiere and Barbara Archiere of 206½ Osborne Street.

Ms. Coladarci said that the motion from the Planning Commission was positive but asked for further explanation because the Commission was divided in their decision 2-2. Mr. Gottschalk explained that for any land purchase the decision by the Common Council must be approved by two-thirds and would thereby overturn any Planning Commission decision. The committee reviewed the Engineering report of September 3, 1996 and the Planning Department report of August 26, 1996. The Engineering report stated that there is no benefit to retaining the rear portion of the property. The Planning report stated that the following conditions must be met:

- the applicant must submit a formal survey of the portion of parcel J11398 to be recorded on the land records
- the applicant must, simultaneously with the compliance of the above, also submit a formal survey of the new parcel formed by the addition of the portion of parcel J11398 and the existing parcel J12223. A note on the mylar should indicate that further subdivision of the new lot is prohibited.

In addition to the report it was stated that:

- the site plan of the existing fire house will have to be modified;
- a title search must be performed on the entire area; and
- the committee would need the assessed price of the parcel from the Danbury Assessor's Office.

A discussion ensued in regard to the property itself.

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to recommend approval of the sale of the property on Osborne Street providing the price can be agreed upon and that this matter be referred to the Assessor's Office to advise the Common Council of a price within the next thirty (30) days. This potential transfer of property should also be subject to the conditions requested by the Director of Planning in the August 26, 1996 letter along with a title search of the subject properties. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nolan and passed un-animously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

58 - REPORT - Request for Funds for Childcare Connections

Mr. Boynton submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for funds for Childcare Connections met on October 23, 1996 at 8:00 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Boynton, Gallagher and Basso. Also in attendance was Director of Finance Dominic Setaro. No one from Childcare Connections was in attendance.

In the opinion of Mr. Setaro and members of this committee, this request would duplicate services offered by the newly restructured Welfare Department. It was also noted that the Childcare Connection address is now Brookfield, Connecticut.

Mrs. Basso made a motion to deny this request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gallagher and passed unanimously. Therefore, it is the committee recommendation to the full Common Council that the request for Childcare Connection funds be denied.

Mr. Levy made a motion that the report be recommitted. Seconded by Mr. Setaro. Motion carried unanimously.

59 - REPORT - Request for Water Extension at 3-5 South Street

Mr. Boynton submitted the following report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for water extension at 3-5 South Street met on October 23, 1996 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Boynton and Basso. Mr. Esposito was absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent of Public Utilities William Buckley, City Engineer Jack Schweitzer and the applicant, Edward J. McCarthy.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of this request at its September 23, 1996 meeting. After a review of the project and assurances from Mr. Buckley and Mr. Schweitzer that they did not see any problem with the request, subject to the normal eight steps, Mrs. Basso made a motion to recommend to the Common Council approval of this request subject to the normal eight steps. Seconded by Mr. Boynton. Motion passed unanimously.

The report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

PROGRESS

60 - REPORT - Water Problem on Laurel Street

Mr. Boynton submitted the following Progress Report:

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the water problem on Laurel Street met on October 23, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 432 in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Boynton, Charles and Basso. Also in attendance were City Engineer Jack Schweitzer, Superintendent of Public Utilities William Buckley and Assistant Corporation Counsel Les Pinter.

Mr. Schweitzer will conduct a field survey and Attorney Pinter will determine how many easements will be required to correct the water problem on Laurel Street.

The Progress Report was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

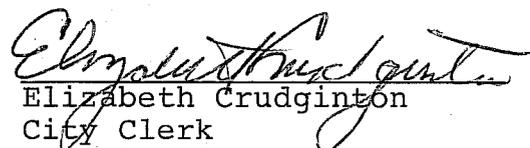
Mayor Enriquez extended all committees.

There being no further business to come before the Common Council a motion was made by Mr. Mead at 8:55 P.M. for the meeting to be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


JIMMETTA L. SAMAHA
Assistant City Clerk

ATTEST:


Elizabeth Crudginton
City Clerk