

**CITY OF NORWALK
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 17, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: Eloisa Melendez, Chair; Michael Corsello;
Thomas Livingston, Doug Hempstead;
Shannon O'Toole Giandurco;

STAFF: Brian Candela, Corporation Counsel

OTHERS: Diane Lauricella
Susan Wallerstein

1. ROLL CALL

Ms. Melendez called the meeting to order at 7:04PM and called the roll. A quorum was present.

2. PUBLIC HEARING (POSSIBLE ACTION ON)

There was no public hearing held.

3. PUBLIC HEARING DISCUSSION

There was no discussion.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane Lauricella

Ms. Lauricella stated she is very pleased that the Committee has approved turning the Arts Group into a full Commission.

She also stated that she would like to see the noise ordinance be placed back onto the agenda so that it can be finished by the end of the year. Ms. Melendez said that it is something that still needs to be done but that it was put on hold due to budgetary issues.

5 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

September 19, 2017

**** MS. O'TOOLE-GIANDURCO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Solicitors

Mr. Candela said that he had made the changes that were discussed at the last meeting and that he had sent a draft to Lieutenant Weisgerber. He said that they had met to discuss not only the changes to the ordinance but also changes to the forms. Ms. O'Toole-Giandurco asked if the Police Department is in agreement with taking over the program and if they are in agreement with the changes that are being proposed. Mr. Candela said "yes" they just need to find the funds to purchase the machine to create the ID tags for the solicitors. Mr. Corsello, Mr. Livingston, Ms. O'Toole-Giandurco and Mr.

Hempstead discussed some minor changes they would like to see. It was decided that Mr. Candela would make the changes that were discussed.

**** MS. MELENDEZ MOVED TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2017 AT 7:00PM.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Arts Commission Bylaws

Mr. Livingston said in Article 1, Section 1 after NAC to add or Commission and in Article 4, Section 1, to remove representatives after Common Counsel.

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE BYLAWS WITH THE PROPOSED CHANGES.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7. NEW BUSINESS (POSSIBLE ACTION ON):

Bidding and Purchasing

Mr. Candela said that these are the proposed changes by Attorney Beltz-Jacobson along with the municipal entities that deal with bidding and purchasing, and the reasoning is that they need to broaden the language to what would disqualify a bidder and it only currently focuses on non-payment of a financial obligations. There was discussion ensued and it was decided that Mr. Candela will incorporate the proposed changes and will research what other municipalities do and report back at the December next meeting.

8. DISCUSSION ITEM

Mr. Livingston discussed the issues with the Bucciarelli Farm sign and said he would like the committee to consider if it is possible to make an exception for licensed food stands, and that there out to be a way of permitting seasonal sign for this specific type of entity in the city. He said that the State has been pushing for local municipalities to help local farm stands. Mr. Hempstead said that the City of Newington just passed on ordinance regarding this issue and suggested that Mr. Candela research that.

8. ADJOURNMENT

**** MR. LIVINGSTON MOVED TO ADJOURN**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dilene Byrd

Telesco Secretarial Services