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**CITY OF NORWALK
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
February 7, 2017**

ATTENDANCE: John Igneri, Chair; Thomas Livingston; Eloisa Melendez; Faye Bowman;
Richard Bonenfant (7:10pm); Michelle Maggio (7:14pm)

STAFF: Bruce Chimento, Director; Lisa Burns, Principal Engineer

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MEETING OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017.**

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