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**AMENDED**

- I. **ROLL CALL**
- II. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**
  - A. **Special Meeting: February 10, 2026**
  - B. **Regular Meeting: February 10, 2026**
- III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- IV. **MAYOR**
  - A. **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**
    - 1. RESIGNATIONS
      - a. Michelle Sawyer, Board of Ethics
    - 2. REAPPOINTMENTS
      - a. Meggan Douglas, Board of Assessment Appeals, Alternate

- b. Ashley Petrides, Board of Assessments Appeals, Alternate
- c. Harriet Petrides, Board of Assessment Appeals, Alternate
- d. John Church, Fair Rent Commission
- e. Dora Witherspoon, Fair Rent Commission, Alternate

**3. APPOINTMENTS**

- a. Jackeline Irias, Board of Assessment Appeals, Regular - subject to the approval of the Fourteen Day Rule waiver.

**B. MAYOR'S REMARKS**

**V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**A. CORPORATION COUNSEL**

- 1. Amend Charter § 10-5A from stating that it takes effect "on or before February 28<sup>th</sup> each year" to instead state that it takes effect "on or before February 28, 2027 and on or before February 28<sup>th</sup> each year thereafter". Also, amend Charter § 11-5 to add language "and as amended pursuant to C.G.S. § 7-191b pertaining to the modification of budget adoption dates."
- 2. Approve Fourteen Day Rule waiver.

**VII. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

**A. FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

- 1. Narrative on Tax Collections dated February 2026
- 2. Monthly Tax Collector's Reports dated January 2026
- 3. Claims Committee Report dated February 2026
- 4. RESOLUTION: Approve a special appropriation totaling \$140,000 for the Norwalk Recovery Program account 570000-5617- OPI01. Norwalk Recovery Program includes the hiring of a Recovery Coach position with the Norwalk Police Department and grants to substance use organizations serving Norwalk residents

**5. RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER UNEXPENDED FUNDS TO A NEW PROJECT**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a special capital appropriation of \$275,000 is hereby transferred from the Combined Dispatch Capital Project for the Communications Upgrade (account # 09213610-5777-C0638) to the City's Office of Building Management Department (on behalf of the Historical Commission) for the Conservatory project account 09266310-5777-C0857 referenced below.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a special capital appropriation of \$275,000 is hereby transferred to the City's Office of Building Management Department (on behalf of the Historical Commission) for the research, design, and engineering work associated with the Conservatory at the Lockwood Mathews Mansion. Funds will be appropriated to a new account 09266310-5777-C0857 established upon final approval from the City Council.

**6. Recommended FY 2026 – 2027 Operating Budget  
Maximum Limit on Total Appropriations  
Pursuant to Section 10-5 (A) of the City Charter**

WHEREAS, Section 10-5 (A) of the Norwalk Charter requires that a majority of the City Council vote to establish a specific limit on local appropriations during the process of establishing the next fiscal year's operating budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWALK THAT:

The maximum limit on the total appropriation for the City of Norwalk's General Fund for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 shall be no more than \$483,978,290. Be it further resolved that the result of this vote and resolution, be forwarded by the Clerk of the City of Norwalk to the Board of Estimate and Taxation.

**B. ORDINANCE**

1. Approve changes to Chapter 33A (Complete Streets), Section 33A-8 (Exceptions)
2. Approve changes to Chapter 29 (Cannabis), Section 29-6 (Enforcement; fines/citation; hearing; report)
3. Approve changes to Chapter 112A (Vape Shops), Section 112A-13 (Penalties)

**C. RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

1. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to enter into an agreement for the use of Calf Pasture Beach by Coachmen Car Club for their Car Show to be held on Tuesday, May 12th, June 9th, July 14th and August 11th, 2026 from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M with

rain dates on Friday, May 15th, June 12th, July 17th and August 14th, 2026. Approximately 150 people.

2. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to enter into an agreement for the use of Veteran's Park by Norwalk Seaport for their Oyster Festival to be held on Friday, September 11th, 2026 from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M., Saturday, September 12th, 2026 from 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. and Sunday, September 13th, 2026, from 11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Set-up on Friday, August 14th, 2026 at 8:00 A.M. with tear-down by Wednesday, September 30th, 2026 at 8:00 P.M. Approximately 35,000 people.
3. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to enter into an agreement for the use of Veteran's Park by Sonotainment for their 2nd Annual Juneteenth Carnival Fundraiser to be held on Friday, June 19th, 2026 from 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., Saturday, June 20th, 2026 from 12:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. and Sunday, June 21st, 2026 from 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Set-up on Wednesday, June 17th, 2026 at 8:00 A.M. with tear-down by Tuesday, June 23rd at 9:00 P.M. Approximately 200 people.
4. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to enter into an agreement for the use of Calf Pasture Beach by Whittingham Cancer Center for their Northwell Walk to Raise Health to be held on Sunday, May 17th, 2026 from 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. P.M. Set-up on Saturday, May 16th, 2026 at 7:00 A.M. Approximately 700 people.
5. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to enter into an agreement for the use of Rowayton School Field by Rowayton PTA for their Rowayton Elementary School Carnival to be held on Friday, May 1st, 2026 from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and Saturday, May 2nd, 2026 from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M with a rain date on Sunday, May 3rd. Set-up on Wednesday, April 29th, 2026 at 7:00 A.M. with tear-down by Sunday, May 3rd at 10:00 A.M. Approximately 2,000 people.
6. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth, to approve the 12/1/2025 lease amendment to the original contract dated 6/3/2016, by and between the City of Norwalk and the Aspetuck Land Trust, Inc. for a lease agreement for a portion of 328 Flax Hill Road, known as Fodor Farm.
7. Authorize the purchasing agent to issue a sole source purchase order to SignPro Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for the manufacture and installation of 32 gateway signs at various park locations, from account 09266030 5777 C0737.

**D. PUBLIC SAFETY AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

1. Authorize the Mayor, Barbara C. Smyth to execute any and all agreements and other documents to extend the term of the law department's document management software, "NetDocuments" for a period of three years, in the amount of \$10,477.28 year 1, \$11,001.04 year 2, and \$11,660.96 year 3, on a sole source procurement basis.

**VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL**

- IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE
- X. SUSPENSION OF RULES
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

**APPOINTMENTS**

<b>BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS</b>	<b>M/C</b>	<b>Norwalk Charter 1-271</b>
<b>JACKELINE IRIS (D)</b> 75 East Avenue Norwalk, CT 06851		Term Expires - 02/25/2029 Regular

**REAPPOINTMENTS**

<b>BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS</b>	<b>M/C</b>	<b>Norwalk Charter 1-271</b>
<b>MEGGAN DOUGLAS (U)</b> 14 Mckinley Street Norwalk, CT 06853		Term Expires - 02/25/2027 Alternate
<b>ASHLEY PETRIDES (U)</b> 63 Strawberry Hill Avenue Norwalk, CT 06855		Term Expires - 02/25/2027 Alternate
<b>HARRIET PETRIDES (U)</b> 10 Burlington Drive Norwalk, CT 06851		Term Expires - 02/25/2027 Alternate
<b>FAIR RENT COMMISSION</b>	<b>M/C</b>	<b>Norwalk Code 39</b>
<b>JOHN CHURCH (I)</b> 17 Staples Court Norwalk, CT 06855		Term Expires - 07/01/2027
<b>DORA WITHERSPOON (D)</b> 5 Observatory Place Norwalk, CT 06854		Term Expires - 07/01/2027 Alternate