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Mayor Rilling called the special organizational meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the Assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. ROLL CALL

Ms. Dixon called the Roll as follows:

Council at Large:	Mr. Gregory Burnett	Mr. Joshua Goldstein
	Mr. Johan Lopez	Ms. Nora Niedzielski Eichner
	Ms. Barbara Smyth	

District A:	Ms. Nicol Ayers	Mr. Jalen Sead
District B:	Mr. Dajuan Wiggins	Ms. Darlene Young
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District D:	Ms. Heather Dunn	Mr. Doug Sutton
District E:	Mr. James Frayer	Ms. Lisa Shanahan

At Roll Call there were fourteen (14) Common Councilmembers present and one (1) absent (Ms. Dunn). A Quorum was present.

Also present were Mayor, Harry Rilling; City Clerk, Irene Dixon and Corporation Counsel, Mario Coppola.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public who wished to comment this evening.

III. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Corporation Counsel

Mayor Rilling nominated Attorney Mario Coppola for Corporation Counsel.

**** MR. GOLDSTEIN MOVED TO APPROVE ATTORNEY MARIO COPPOLA AS CORPORATION COUNSEL**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Rilling spoke in support of the appointment.

2. Appointment of City Clerk

Mayor Rilling nominated Ms. Irene Dixon for City Clerk.

**** MS. SMYTH MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. IRENE DIXON AS CITY CLERK**
**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Rilling spoke in support of the appointment.

B. MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rilling wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He expressed his thanks for everyone who stepped forward to serve the City of Norwalk.

IV. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mr. Burnett expressed his thanks to the Common Council members for their support over the last year when he served as Common Council President.

1. Election of Council President

Mr. Burnett asked for nominations for Council President.

Ms. Smyth nominated Ms. Darlene Young as Common Council President and spoke in support of the nomination. There were no other nominations.

**** MS. SMYTH MOVED TO ELECT MS. YOUNG AS COMMON COUNCIL
PRESIDENT**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Ms. Young said she does this because she loves it and Norwalk. She said she was so honored and blessed to be part of this process. She said she has been in the community for the 32 years that she has lived in Norwalk. Ms. Young noted that this is not an easy job and expressed her thanks for the support. She said she looks forward to working with the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Ms. Young expressed her thanks to Mayor Rilling, Ms. Dixon and Mr. Coppola.

2. Announcement of Majority Leader

Ms. Young announced that Ms. Niedzielski Eichner would be the new Majority Leader.

3. Announcement of Minority Leader

Ms. Young announced that Ms. Dunn would be the new Minority Leader.

4. Adoption of Council Rules

**** MS. MCMURRER MOVED TO ADOPT THE COUNCIL RULES AS INCLUDED
IN THE MEETING PACKET
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

B. REMARKS

Mayor Rilling expressed this thanks to Mr. Burnett for serving as Common Council President.

Ms. Young welcomed the six new Common Council members and said they are all here to help and work together. She acknowledged Mr. Sutton who has a lot of institutional knowledge.

Mayor Rilling noted that the new Common Council members will be looking for guidance from the experienced Common Council members. He added that the Common Council members work well together.

V. ADJOURNMENT

**** MS. SHANAHAN MOVED TO ADJOURN
** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Irene Dixon, City Clerk

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SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

I. ROLL CALL 14- Ms. Dunn absent

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 0

III. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Corporation Counsel – Mario Coppola
2. Appointment of City Clerk – Irene Dixon

**APPROVED
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B. MAYOR'S REMARKS: Mayor Rilling wished everyone a wonderful season and a Happy Thanksgiving.

IV. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. Election of Council President – Darlene Young
2. Announcement of Majority Leader – Nora Niedzielski-Eichner
3. Announcement of Minority Leader – Heather Dunn
4. Adoption of Council Rules

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B. REMARKS Newly elected Council President Young welcomed the new Council Members.

V. ADJOURNMENT 7:42 PM

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