COMMON COUNCIL ACTION NOVEMBER 14, 2023
NORWALK, CONNECTICUT 7:30 PM EST COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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A moment of silence was held for Norwalk Deputy Fire Marshal Luca Feola, Norwalk Public Library Accounting Clerk Dawn Kravarik, and former Norwalk High School Band Director Jeff Smith.

I. ROLL CALL 11- Ms. Smyth, Mr. Kydes & Ms. Alterman absent; Mr. Heuvelman arrived at 9:00 PM

II. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting:	October 24, 2023	**APPROVED**
Special Meeting:	November 2, 2023	**APPROVED AS AMENDED**

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 16

IV. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

RESIGNATIONS:

APPOINTMENTS:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

MAYOR'S REMARKS: Mayor Rilling acknowledged the Common Council Members who are retiring and thanked them for serving on the Council. Norwalk scored 100% on the HRC Foundation's 2023 Municipality Equality Index. The Informational Session on Norwalk's 2023 Revaluation Project will take place virtually and in the Community Room on Wednesday, November 15, 2023. A Norwalk Talks Housing Community Listening Session will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023. The City will host its Holiday Extravaganza for the second time.

V. COUNCIL PRESIDENT

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS: Council President Burnett extended his gratitude to the Council and Mayors' staff for their service and support to the Council. He highlighted The Council's milestones for the most recent term.

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APPOINTMENTS:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

B. CONSENT CALENDAR: VII.A.1, VII.A.2., VII.A.3, VII.A.4, VII.B.2, VII.B.3a, VII.B.3b, VII.B.5, VII.C.1, VII.E.1, VII.E.2, VII.E.3, VII.E.4, VII.F.1

VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. CORPORATION COUNSEL

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. PUBLIC SAFETY & GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute the renewal contract with the Connecticut Partnership Plan for health insurance coverage effective January 1, 2024. **AUTHORIZED**

2. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute any and all documents and agreements necessary to accept grant funding under the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY23 Microgrant - Community Policing Development Solicitation. **AUTHORIZED**

3. Authorize the Chief of Police, James Walsh, to execute any and all documents and agreements as may be necessary to implement the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, FY23 Micro grant - Community Policing Development Solicitation. **AUTHORIZED**

4. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute a contract with Russell and Dawson, Inc. not to exceed $24,000.00 for structural engineer and administrative services on the Station 3 apparatus floor replacement project.
   Account No. 09243110 5776 C0838 **AUTHORIZED**

B. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Comptroller's Office to create a non-lapsing special revenue fund account to receive funds, sponsorships, and donations for Neighborhood Cleanups that can only be used on future or current neighborhood improvement initiatives. **CONSENT TO TABLE**

2. Authorize the Chief Building Official to purchase 20 garbage can sets from Recycle Away, LLC. via sole source procurement in the amount of $53,992.40.
   Account No. 530000 5776 **AUTHORIZED**

3a. Authorize the Mayor, Harry. W. Rilling, to execute an agreement with ARC Sound. Stage. Lighting. for Purchasing project 4323 Stage, Lighting, and Sound Services for Norwalk Holiday Events for a total not to exceed $30,000.00.
   Account No. 0924 3780 5777 C0680 **AUTHORIZED**

3b. Authorize the Business Development & Tourism Director to issue change orders on the contract for a total not to exceed $3,000.00; 10% of the total contract cost.
   Account No. 0924 3780 5777 C0680 **AUTHORIZED**

4. Authorize the Comptroller's Office to create a non-lapsing special revenue fund account to receive funds, sponsorships, and donations for Special Events that can only be used on future or current special event expenses. **CONSENT TO TABLE**

5. Authorize the Comptroller's Office to create a non-lapsing special revenue fund account to receive funds, sponsorships, and donations for the Arts and Cultural District and the Arts and Cultural District Commission in accordance with the City of Norwalk Ordinance Chapter 17A: Arts and Culture Commission. **AUTHORIZED**

C. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments, or amendments with the University of New Haven as may be necessary to allow for students in the University's graduate and undergraduate programs to be placed at the Norwalk Health Department for internships and student learning opportunities. **AUTHORIZED**

2. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments, or amendments as may be necessary with Mid-Fairfield Child Guidance Center, Inc., Middle School Mental Health Initiative under the Community Services Department for the period of September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024, in the amount of $550,260.00.
   Account No. 012010 5298 **AUTHORIZED**

D. ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Approve new ordinance: Leaf Blowers **APPROVED**

2. Approve new ordinance: Affordable Housing Account ordinance **APPROVED**

E. FINANCE & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Claims Committee dated: November 2023 **ACCEPTED**

2. For informational purposes only: Narrative on Tax Collections dated: November 2023 **ACCEPTED**

3. For informational purposes only: Monthly Tax Collector's Reports dated: October 2023 **ACCEPTED**

4. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue purchase orders to 443 Technologies, for supply of a Nutanix HCI system, an amount not to exceed $179,014.00.
   Account No. 09235010 5777 C0112 (budgeted 2023/2024 IT capital item) **AUTHORIZED**

F. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Harry W. Rilling, to accept sidewalk easements necessary to install curbs and sidewalks on Rowayton Avenue. **AUTHORIZED**

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

X. SUSPENSION OF RULES

XI. ADJOURNMENT 9:47 PM