

Minutes Approved
November 7, 2016

The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Business Meeting
For
October 3, 2016
@
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
@ 7:00 P.M.

AMENDED

Donna Travis, President

Roll Call: 9/0 Steven Colantuono, Thomas Chadronet, Camille Vella-Wilkinson,
Joseph Solomon, Edgar Ladouceur, Donna Travis, Kathleen Usler, Joseph Gallucci,
Steven Merolla

Time: 7:46 PM

Salute To The Flag: Councilman Ladouceur

Executive Communications

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. **Pursuant to R.I. General Laws § 42-46-5 (a) (2), this public body may convene into Executive Session regarding pending/potential litigation relative to the following case:**

PCR-110-16 Resolution Relative to Authorize the Tax collector of the City of Warwick to Execute a Tax Collection Agreement with the House of Hope, Inc. (Councilman Colantuono on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

Move to convene by:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Vella-Wilkinson
Vote:	9/0 VV
Move to close:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Vella-Wilkinson
Vote:	9/0 VV
Move to seal minutes:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Chadronet, Vella-Wilkinson
Vote:	9/0 VV
Time:	9:11 PM

<u>Committee Report: Finance:</u>	Favorable, Vella-Wilkinson
Action:	Favorable
Moved by:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Vella-Wilkinson, Chadronet
Vote:	6/3 (Ladouceur, Merolla, Usler)

ADOPTED R-16-101

General Communications –

- A. Acceptance of minutes from council meeting held on:
 1. September 7, 2016

Moved by:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Vella-Wilkinson
Vote:	8/0/1 (Solomon abstains)

ACCEPTED
 2. September 19, 2016

Moved by:	Colantuono
Seconded by:	Vella-Wilkinson
Vote:	9/0 VV

ACCEPTED

B. Motion to have MIS Director to address City Council regarding PCR-123-16 A Resolution requesting Department Heads to appear before Council regarding Bid#2017-064
Moved by: Councilman Ladouceur
Seconded by: Usler
Carlos Zambrano-MIS Administrator addresses Council.

- 1. Ward 3 – Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson: Thanks Senator Walaska, Representative Naughton and Representative Trillo for their services to the City of Warwick and they will be missed at the State House. They have done a wonderful job and gives a round of applause for them. DHS Office on Buttonwoods Avenue has become full capacity because the Woonsocket Office has closed. I have concerns for the Warwick residents that are not being served. They are closing this Warwick Office in December. People can register on computer but there is a lag time. We should consider Resolution for next General Assembly Session since our folks are not being serviced in that facility. Ask all Councilmembers to go and check the DHS Office so we can better assist our residents.
- 2. Ward 1 – Councilman Colantuono: Thanks for allowing substitute version of National Anthem before us tonight, always proud to hear my own daughter sing and hopes you will allow that to be played beyond his tenure here.
- 3. Ward 5 – Councilman Ladouceur: Incident on Tidewater Drive, would like to recognize and thank the off duty Newport Officer Matt Corcelli and Warwick’s own Officer Paul White who made the arrest. Once again Col. McCartney made sure to communicate the situation to him and Councilman Solomon. He appreciates and thanks the Colonel for their fine job. Information from the Newspaper (Providence Journal) regarding RI Pension Fund was very interesting because this will need to be readdressed. Councilman Merolla has been most vocal on this, my concerns are rate of returns we have discussed this many times. We will need to re-evaluate for an increase to maintain funds. We need to deal with this sooner or later.
- 4. Ward 9 – Councilman Merolla – Thanks to Fire Department, his Dad has a medical emergency, he has been discharged. The first truck that responded was from Potowomut, just to give idea not just for covering the Potowomut area but Cowesett too. Thanks Fire Department for another great job.
- 5. Ward 6 – Council President Travis: Thanks Fire Department for Fire Training 101, she and Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson participated, dressed up like fire man and went through drills. She has always had a lot of respect for them and this activity reinforced that. Also participated in Oyster Seeding, she was fireman one day and fisherman the next.
- 6. Ward 3 – Reminder – Veteran’s Day is Friday, November 11th. We will be holding the annual parade; the city council members and city delegations always welcome to march with us. Also any veterans or organizations wanting to participate should contact Council President or myself as we co-chair every year.

1. Announcement of Appointments –

Planning Board

- 1. Steven L. Catalano, Esq.
35 Hallmark Drive
Warwick, RI 02886
Vice: Jeffrey G. Robert
Ward 9
Term to Expire: January 31, 2021

2. Appointments Requiring Confirmation –

Library Board of Trustees

- 1. Stephanie Carter
569 Fair Street
Warwick, RI 02888
Reappointment
Ward 1
Term to Expire: December 31, 2019

Committee Report: Appointments: Favorable, Usler
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Colantuono
Seconded by: Chadronet, Ladouceur
Vote: 9/0

ACCEPTED

- 2. Paul McNeil Jr.
155 Hilton Road
Warwick, RI 02889
Reappointment
Ward 3
Term to Expire: December 31, 2019
Committee Report: Appointments: Favorable, Usler
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson
Seconded by: Colantuono, Chadronet, Ladouceur
Vote: 9/0

ACCEPTED

Warwick Land Trust

1. Mary Grady
25 Passeonquis Drive
Warwick, RI 02888
Vice: Juan Cano

Ward 1
Term to Expire: May 1, 2021

Committee Report: Appointments: **HOLD TO 11-7-2016**

3. Consent Calendar –

1. **PCR-126-16 Resolution Relative to Bids**
(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report: Finance: Favorable, Vella-Wilkinson
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson
Seconded by: Colantuono, Gallucci, Ladouceur

ADOPTED R-16-102

2. **PCR-127-16 Resolution Relative to Claims**
(Councilman Gallucci)

Committee Report: Public Safety: Favorable, Gallucci
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Gallucci
Seconded by: Ladouceur, Colantuono

ADOPTED R-16-103

3. **PCR-128-16 Resolution Relative to Abatements**
(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report: Finance: Favorable, Vella-Wilkinson
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson
Seconded by: Colantuono, Gallucci

ADOPTED R-16-104

Consent calendar vote: 9/0

REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

PCR-129-16 Bid# 2014-155 Lease on Space on Telecommunication Tower

Committee Report: Finance: Favorable, Vella-Wilkinson
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson
Seconded by: Colantuono, Gallucci
Vote: 8/1 (Solomon)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **PCO-19-16 Sub A An Ordinance establishing a timeline for the expedient turnover of Warwick School Department excess equipment, vehicles and buildings** (Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson, Council President Travis, Councilman Ladouceur)

Second Passage as Amended

Committee Report: Ordinance: Favorable, Gallucci
Action: Favorable
Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson
Seconded by: Colantuono, Ladouceur, Gallucci
Vote: 8/0/1 (Solomon abstains)

ADOPTED O-16-24

2. PCO-1-14 An Ordinance to establish a Sewer Oversight Committee
(Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Ordinance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**
Action: TO WITHDRAW
Moved by: Ladouceur
Seconded by: Gallucci, Colantuono
Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

3. PCO-11-14 Waste Water Management District
(Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Ordinance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**
Action: TO WITHDRAW
Moved by: Ladouceur
Seconded by: Gallucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Colantuono
Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

4. PCO-9-15 Moratorium on fines for not shoveling sidewalks
(Councilman Ladouceur, Council President Travis, Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson, Councilman Chadronet, Councilman Gallucci, Councilman Colantuono, Councilwoman Usler)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Ordinance: **TO PENDING FILE AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

5. PCO-27-15 Budget Items
(Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**
Action: TO WITHDRAW
Moved by: Ladouceur
Seconded by: Colantuono
Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

6. PCO-10-16 School Consolidation proceeds
(Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**
Action: TO WITHDRAW
Moved by: Ladouceur
Seconded by: Usler, Gallucci
Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

7. PCO-22-16 An Ordinance regarding a Veteran's Discount Card
(Councilman Ladouceur, Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Ordinance: **HOLD TO 11-7-2016**

8. PCR-32-12 A Resolution Regarding the Sale of Tax Title Land Described as Assessor's Plat 358, Lot 377 (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Public Properties: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

Action: TO WITHDRAW

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Colantuono, Vella-Wilkinson, Usler

Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

9. PCR-67-12 A Resolution regarding the Tax Review Committee
(Councilwoman Usler)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

Action: TO WITHDRAW

Moved by: Usler

Seconded by: Ladouceur, Gallucci

Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

10. PCR-16-13 A Resolution regarding the beautification of Apponaug/Circulator
(Councilwoman Usler)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **HOLD TO 11-7-2016**

11. PCR-124-15 A Resolution to change the appointment process of the School Committee (Councilman Ladouceur)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **TO PENDING FILE AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

12. PCR-131-15 A Resolution regarding Bids
(Councilman Ladouceur)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

Action: TO WITHDRAW

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Gallucci, Colantuono, Chadronet

Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

13. PCR-150-15 A Resolution requesting the Warwick School Committee, the School Department Personnel Director and the Mayor to appear before the Warwick City Council November 23, 2015 (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **TO PENDING FILE AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

14. PCR-10-16 A Forensic Audit
(Councilwoman Usler)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **HOLD TO 11-7-2016**

15. PCR-21-16 A Resolution Establishing an OPEB Trust

(Councilman Colantuono, Council President Travis, Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

Committee Report: Finance: Favorable, Vella-Wilkinson

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Colantuono

Seconded by: Vella-Wilkinson, Ladouceur, Gallucci

Action: Hold to 11-7-2016

Moved by: Colantuono

Action: Hold to 3-20-2017

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Solomon

HOLD TO 3-20-2017

16. PCR-73-16 A Resolution requesting that the WSA immediately hire an independent Project Manager for any and all sewer projects in progress or that will be commencing in the future (Councilman Ladouceur, Councilman Merolla)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016 AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

17. PCR-81-16 A Resolution regarding the Warwick Sewer Authority and the Levee Upgrade (Councilman Ladouceur)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **WITHDRAW AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

Action: TO WITHDRAW

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Vella-Wilkinson, Gallucci

Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

18. PCR-111-16 A Resolution relative to establish Warwick as a Property-Assessed Clean Energy Municipality (Councilman Colantuono on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: Favorable, Colantuono

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Colantuono

Seconded by: Chadronet

Vote: 9/0

ADOPTED R-16-106

NEW BUSINESS

1. PCO-31-16 An Ordinance to begin a process to reduce and possibly eliminate tangible tax (Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016 AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

2. **PCO-34-16 An Ordinance to address the issue of items being ordered/shipped/processed prior to these items being approved by the Council when applicable** (Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage

Committee Report: Ordinance: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016 AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

3. **PCO-35-16 An Ordinance regarding Panhandling** (Councilman Merolla, Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage – Not drafted

Committee Report: Ordinance: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016**

4. **PCO-36-16 Parking Restrictions – Highland Beach Area** (Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage

Committee Report: Public Safety: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016 AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

5. **PCR-116-16 A Resolution regarding Special Education Investigation** (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016**

6. **PCR-117-16 A Resolution rescinding the request to the Warwick Educational Community Outreach Committee to investigate and report on complaints regarding Special Education services in the Warwick School Department** (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016**

7. **PCR-118-16 A Resolution reducing the Speed Limit on Bleachery Court** (Councilman Gallucci)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Public Safety: **HOLD TO 11-7-2016 AT REQUEST OF SPONSOR**

8. **PCR-120-16 A Resolution in regards to dissolving the Noise Committee (PCR-157-11)** (Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: Favorable, Colantuono

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Vella-Wilkinson

Seconded by: Colantuono, Ladouceur, Chadronet

Vote: 9/0

ADOPTED R-16-107

9. **PCR-121-16 A Resolution requesting the State of RI to make Rocky Point a port of call for the Providence/Newport Ferry** (Councilman Solomon, Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: Favorable, Colantuono

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Solomon

Seconded by: Ladouceur, Vella-Wilkinson, Chadronet, Colantuono

Vote: 9/0

ADOPTED R-16-108

10. PCR-122-16 A Resolution requesting the developer for Crowne Plaza to appear before Council semi-annually (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: Favorable, Colantuono

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Vella-Wilkinson, Chadronet, Gallucci

Vote: 8/1 (Colantuono)

ADOPTED R-16-109

11. PCR-123-16 A Resolution requesting Department Heads to appear before Council regarding Bid #2017-064 (Councilman Ladouceur)

Committee Report: Intergovernmental: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016 with discussion**

Action: TO WITHDRAW

Moved by: Ladouceur

Seconded by: Colantuono

Vote: 9/0

WITHDRAWN

12. PCR-124-16 A Resolution regarding Tax Abatement relative to Tamerisk
(Councilman Gallucci)

Not Drafted

Committee Report: Finance: **HOLD TO 10-17-2016**

13. PCR-125-16 A Resolution relative to placing unsignalized crosswalk signs on Newbury Road, Carnation Drive and Asylum Road (Council President Travis)

Committee Report: Public Safety: Favorable, Gallucci

Action: Favorable

Moved by: Gallucci

Seconded by: Colantuono

Vote: 9/0

ADOPTED R-16-110

FOR REFERRAL AND ADVERTISING

none

Unanimous Consent for October 3, 2016

Motion to Adjourn: Gallucci

Vote:

Time: 11:25 PM

Next available numbers: **PCR-129-16**
PCO-37-16

DOCKET SESSION

Ward 6 – Council President Travis

Resolution regarding dredging of Warwick Cove – Intergovernmental Committee **PCR-130-16**

Ward 3 & 5 Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson & Councilman Ladouceur

Ordinance – Amendment to Purchasing Ordinance – Finance Committee **PCO-37-16**

Ward 5 – Councilman Ladouceur

Resolution regarding car tax – Finance Committee **PCR-132-16**

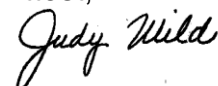
Ordinance amending Chapter 56 Purchasing – Finance Committee **PCO-38-16**

Resolution Amending Council Rule 30 Intergovernmental Committee **PCR-131-16**

Ward 9 – Councilman Merolla

Resolution – Actuaries to appear before Council on March 20th – Finance Committee **PCR-133-16**

Attest,



Judy Wild
City Clerk