

Minutes Approved  
July 17, 2017

CITY OF WARWICK  
DOCKET OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING  
SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017  
@ 9:00 A.M.  
CITY HALL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
3275 POST ROAD  
WARWICK, R.I. 02886

JOSEPH J. SOLOMON, PRESIDENT PRESIDING

Roll Call: **9/0** Richard Corley, Jeremy Rix, Timothy Howe, Joseph Solomon, Edgar Ladouceur, Donna Travis, Stephen McAllister, Joseph Gallucci, Steven Merolla  
Time: **9:10 AM**  
Salute to the Flag: **Councilman Corley**

Purpose of Meeting: Continuation of May 31, 2017 Meeting and its Agenda.

**BUDGET ITEMS**

1. **PCR-70-17** A Resolution Adopting and Setting the tax rate of the City of Warwick for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2017 and Ending June 30, 2018 (Council President Solomon, Councilman Ladouceur on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

Committee Report: FINANCE: Move to the floor for discussion

Motion: Favorable  
Moved by: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe

- A. Line item 75-158 Healthcare Municipal  
Line item 75-159 Healthcare Municipal Retirees  
Line item 75-160 Healthcare Police  
Line item 75-161 Healthcare Police Retirees  
Line item 75-162 Healthcare Fire  
Line item 75-163 Healthcare Fire Retirees**

**Reduce by \$548,693.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

- B. Line item 47-380 General Services**

**Reduce by \$22,500.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

- C. Line item 89-000 Appropriation**

**Reduce by \$3,000,000.00**

**Line item 03-690 Fund Balance Drawdown**

**Reduce by \$3,000,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**D. Line item 03-100 Property Tax Revenue**  
**Increase collection rate to 99% from 98.50%**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
**WITHDRAWN**

**Line item 03-100 Property Tax Revenue**  
**Increase collection rate to 99% from 98.50%** **Increase \$1,181,925.00**  
Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**E. Line item 30-301 Police Education Reimbursement** **Reduce by \$10,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**F. Line item 80-224 Electricity (Enterprise Fund)** **Reduce by \$60,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
**WITHDRAWN**

**G. Line item 79-799 Misc Capital Expenditure** **Reduce by \$350,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**H. Line item 43-101 Library Salaries (Job Code 502)** **Reduce by \$15,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**I. Line item 48-101 Senior Transportation Salaries (Job Code 120)**  
**Reduce by \$18,066.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**J. Line item 59-101 Community Development (Job Code 447)**  
**Reduce by \$10,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
**WITHDRAWN**

**K. Line item 30-224 Police Department Electricity** **Reduce by \$5000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
**WITHDRAWN**

**L. Line item 30-220 Police Gasoline** **Reduce by \$75,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

- M. Line item 25-101 MIS Salaries** **Reduce by \$24,069.00**  
 (Job Code 358 -\$15,000, Job Code 490 -\$5,069, Job Code 002 -\$4,000)  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Vote: 8/1 (Rix)  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- N. Line item 25-360 MIS Professional Services** **Reduce by \$5,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- O. Line item 35-105 Fire II Salaries** **Reduce by \$483,055.00**  
 (Job Code 905 -\$121,673, Job Code 971 -\$361,382)  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Merolla  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- P. Line item 35-110 Fire Overtime 1** **Reduce by \$50,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- Q. Line item 35-111 Fire Overtime 2** **Reduce by \$300,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- R. Line item 35-129 Fire Dispatcher Overtime** **Reduce by \$10,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- S. Line item 35-367 Fire Rescue Services** **Reduce by \$15,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Merolla  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- T. Line item 35-224 Fire – Electricity** **Reduce by \$15,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Merolla, Howe  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**
- U. Line item 35-220 Fire – Gasoline** **Reduce by \$50,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Howe  
 Action: **Withdrawn**, Ladouceur  
**Line item 35-220 Fire – Gasoline** **Reduce by \$10,000.00**  
 Move to amend: Ladouceur  
 Seconded by: Corley, Rix, Travis  
 Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**V. Line item 62-101 Public Works Administration Salaries (Job Code 435)**  
**Reduce by \$5,205.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**W. Line item 63-224 Public Works Electricity**  
**Reduce by \$10,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**X. Line item 63-292 Salt**  
**Reduce by \$10,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe, Corley  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**Y. Line item 65-220 Gasoline Public Works**  
**Reduce by \$100,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**Z. Line item 36-220 Gasoline Building Inspection**  
**Reduce by \$1,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**AA. Line item 48-221 Senior Transportation Diesel Fuel**  
**Reduce by \$2,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**11:31 AM Motion to recess:** Councilman Corley  
Seconded by: Councilwoman Travis  
Vote: 9/0 VV

**12:02 PM Resume Meeting**

**BB. Line item 40-339 Instructional Services**  
**Reduce by \$30,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 8/1 (Rix)  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**CC. Line item 40-119 Seasonal Salaries**  
**Reduce by \$65,000.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 7/2 (Rix, Travis)  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**DD. Line item 62-101 Public Works Administration Salaries (Job Code 435)**  
**Increase by \$5,205.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur (rescind prior reduction)  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0  
**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**EE. Line item 62-101 Public Works Administration Salaries (Job Code 435)**  
**Reduce by \$2,500.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**Councilman Ladouceur: Clarification on Property Revenue Increase 03-100**  
**Increased Revenue by \$1,181,925.00 based on 99%**

**FF. Add a Line item to Commodities Titled Replacement Gate** **Add \$3,000**

Move to amend: Rix  
Seconded by: Gallucci  
Vote: (Gallucci, Rix) 2/6/1 (Merolla)

**AMENDMENT FAILS**

**GG. Line item 46-101 Human Services Salaries (Job Code 420)**  
**Reduce by \$4,000**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**HH. Line item 46-101 Human Services Salaries (Job Code 422)**  
**Reduce by \$4,000**

Move to amend: Rix  
Seconded by: Ladouceur  
Vote: 8/0/1 (McAllister abstains)

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

**II. Add a \$10,000 to Human Services to reserve for Councils later discretion to award to one or more Warwick Sports Team that compete higher than at a State Level to represent Warwick**

Move to amend: Rix  
Seconded by: Corley  
Vote: (Rix) 1/6/2 (Merolla, Travis abstains)

**AMENDMENT FAILS**

**12:30 PM Motion to recess:** Councilman Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0 VV

**1:08 PM Resume Meeting**

**JJ. Line item 03-690 Fund Balance Drawdown** **Reduce by \$1,295,271.00**

Move to amend: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**AMENDMENT PASSES**

Motion: Move to Amend PCR-70-17  
Moved by: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe, McAllister

Amendment to return the Residential Tax Rate to \$20.24, the Commercial Tax Rate to \$30.36, the Tangible Property Tax rate to \$40.48, the Automobile Tax to \$34.60 which equates to a zero tax increase for the upcoming fiscal year.

Vote: 9/0  
Motion: Move as Amended  
Moved by: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe, McAllister, Corley, Travis, Gallucci, Merolla, Solomon  
Vote: 9/0

**ADOPTED R-17-69**

2. PCR-71-17 A Resolution relative to Transfers, Supplemental Appropriations and Emergency Appropriations (Council President Solomon, Councilman Ladouceur on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

Committee Report: FINANCE: Favorable, Ladouceur  
Motion: Favorable  
Moved by: Ladouceur  
Seconded by: Howe  
Vote: 9/0

**ADOPTED R-17-70**

**Motion to adjourn:** Solomon  
**Seconded by:**  
**Vote:**  
**Time: 1:30 PM**

Attest,



Judy Wild  
City Clerk

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