

The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Public Hearing Meeting
For
May 21, 2012
@
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
@ 7:00 P.M.

Bruce S. Place, President Presiding

Roll Call 9/0 Steve Colantuono, Bruce S. Place, Camille Vella-Wilkinson, Joseph J. Solomon, John DelGiudice, Donna M. Travis, Charles J. Donovan, Jr., Raymond E. Gallucci, Steve Merolla
Salute To The Flag: **Time:** 7:08 PM
Ward Travis

Executive Communications

General Communications -

Travis – 5/28 Parade begins at Bishop Hendricken High School to Warwick Vets – all are welcome

Solomon – Letter Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company – Critical Stats – Fire/Police Pension Funds – feels mislead by the City/Governor

Place – Budget Hearings Begin 5/29/12 6:00 PM

Merolla - Resolution Requesting Actuarial Firm to come speak was not signed by Mayor –mayor does not agree that actuary firm should come before the council!

Public Hearing

1. **PCO-7-12** An Ordinance relative to a Zone Change Petition, Balise Auto Group, Petitioner (Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)
First Passage Public Hearing

A. Committee Report: (Land Use) **Colantuono recommends Public Hearing**

B. Action: **Move to open Public Hearing**

Moved by: **Vella-Wilkinson**

Seconded by: **Colantuono**

Vote: **9/0**

Speaking For:

K. Joseph Shekarchi, Esq.

Michael Zarum

Speaking Against:

None

Motion to Close the P.H. **Vella-Wilkinson, Colantuono**

Seconded by: **Colantuono, Vella-Wilkinson**

Vote: **9/0**

Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Vella-Wilkinson**

Seconded by: **Colantuono, Travis, Donovan, Gallucci, Merolla, Solomon, DelGiudice**

Vote: **9/0**

First Passage 6-18-12

Consent Calendar

Sewer Board of Review Continued

2. Jonathan Pratt - Ward 6
85 Hawthorne Avenue
Warwick, RI 02886
(Vice: Julie Finn)

Appeared 5-14-12

Term to Expire: 1/1/2015

A. Committee Report: (Appointments) **Favorable Colantuono**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Travis**

Seconded by: **Vella-Wilkinson**

Vote: **9/0**

Accepted

Tourism Advisory Board

Joseph Piscopio - Ward 4
220 Shawomet Avenue
Warwick, RI 02889
(Re-appt)

Appeared 5-14-12

Term to Expire: 4/1/2015

A. Committee Report: (Appointments) **Favorable Colantuono**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Solomon**

Seconded by: **Vella-Wilkinson, Donovan**

Vote: **9/0**

Accepted

Unfinished Business

1. **PCO-1-12** An Ordinance relative to Dishonorable Service
(Councilman Solomon) First Passage

A. Committee Report (Ordinance) **To Be Moved to Pending File**

2. **PCO-6-12** An Ordinance amending calculations for elected officials
retirement (Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson) First Passage

A. Committee Report: (Finance) **Gallucci to hold 6/11/12**

3. **PCR-148-11** A Resolution regarding the sale of Tax Title Land
(Councilman DelGiudice)

Description: Plat 359 Lot 366

A. Committee Report: (Public Properties) **Colantuono to hold 8/15/12**

4. **PCR-25-12** A Resolution to the General Assembly to Commission a Health
Study utilizing data compiled from RIAC's Air Quality Monitoring
Program (Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

A. Committee Report: (Intergovernmental) **Colantuono to withdraw at the request
of the sponsor**

B. Action: **Vella-Wilkinson to withdraw**

Moved by: **Vella-Wilkinson**

Seconded by: **Colantuono, Travis**

Vote: **7/2 (Donovan, Solomon)**

5. **PCR-32-12** Resolution regarding the sale of tax title land described as
Assessors's Plat 358 Lot 377 (Councilman DelGiudice)

A. Committee Report: (Public Properties) **Place to hold 8/15/12**

Unfinished Business Continued

6. **PCR-44-12** A Resolution relative to the installation of a crosswalk on Warwick Neck Avenue at St. Elizabeth's Court (Councilman DelGiudice)

A. Committee Report: (Public Safety) **Favorable Gallucci**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **DelGiudice**

Seconded by: **Colantuono, Vella-Wilkinson, Travis, Solomon**

Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-12-52

New Petition for Referral and Advertising

1. **PCO -10 -12** An Ordinance relative to a Zone Change Petition , Domocles Realty, LLC, Petitioner (Councilman Merolla)

P.H. June 18, 2012

2. **PCO-11-12** An Ordinance relative to the Abandonment of 2' strip of Tillinghast Avenue (Councilman Gallucci)

P.H. June 18, 2012

New Business

1. **PCR-52-12** A Resolution regarding allocating money from fee in lieu of open space to be used for Meadowview Bike Path (Councilman DelGiudice)

A. Committee Report: (Finance) **Favorable Gallucci**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **DelGiudice**

Seconded by: **Colantuono, Travis, Vella-Wilkinson**

Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-12-53

Unanimous Consent

For

May 21, 2012

1. **PCR-55-12** A Resolution in Support of H8074 (Councilman Colantuono on behalf of Mayor Avedisian)

A. Committee Report: (Intergovernmental) **Favorable Colantuono**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Colantuono**

Seconded by: **Vella-Wilkinson, Travis**

Vote: **0/9**

Failed

2. **PCR-56-12** A Resolution to Approve Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (Councilman Colantuono)

A. Committee Report: (Intergovernmental) **Favorable Colantuono**

B. Action: **Favorable**

Moved by: **Colantuono**

Seconded by: **Vella-Wilkinson**

Vote: **9/0**

Adopted R-12-54

Motion to Adjourn: **Travis**

Time: **8:47 PM**

RULE 41. After the Docket Session at the City Council Public Hearing meeting there shall be a fifteen minute period during which citizens may comment about Warwick city government issues subject to the following stipulations:

- a) The total period of time for public comment shall be 15 minutes. Comments need to be brief in order to allow as many citizens as possible to participate.
- b) The topics for comment shall be issues directly affecting City government.
- c) City Council members will not respond to questions during the public comment period.
- d) The public comment session will terminate at the expiration of 15 minutes or at midnight even if the full 15 minutes have not expired, whichever is earlier. Waiver of this provision requires unanimous consent.

~ Roy Dempsey Ward 1 Governor Frances Farms

Thank you Councilman Solomon, Police/Fire pension. Thank you Mr. Carruolo, for allowing him to look at the letter from Gabriel Roder & Smith. City will see significant increase in cost of plan over 5-6 years. Do we really need actuary to explain about the plan? What we need is a schedule by year showing the cost to the City – Paying \$15 million in benefits – we are now in a critical state. Ask the Actuary to give us data by year, what it is going to cost the city for pensions.

Mr. Nadeau ~

Budget for City for the new year going up projected \$6mil less than \$1mil to school department. School Department t budget is coming in a few million \$ more than like to see. School dept budget figured w/o final figures from teacher's union contract (involved in negotiations) Wise Union settled saved \$1.5 mil and eliminated 64 positions. Total amount of payroll/benefits at 88% must be reduced; other departments are being short changed.

Three contracts coming up (police, fire, municipal) - stop the increases and some of the benefits for these unions.

It's not fair to the taxpayers, not fair to the 10,000 students. We need to stop the spending. We need to set an example