

AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016

****7:30 P.M.****

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL - 45 LYON TERRACE
BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

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TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016

****6:00 P.M.****

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL - 45 LYON TERRACE
BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON:

92-15 Budget and Appropriations Committee Report re: General Fund Budget
a,b,c,d,e for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 – Votes as follows:

General Fund:

- a. Revenue Increases
- b. Revenue Decreases
- c. Appropriation Increases
- d. Appropriation Decreases
- e. General Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2016-2017 as amended

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016
7:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ganim called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM.

PRAYER

Council Member McBride-Lee lead those present in prayer.

Council President McCarthy asked that those present hold a moment of silence for Judge Robert Burns, father of Council Member Burns, who passed away the previous day. He further commended Council Member Burns for his dedication to the budgetary process throughout this difficult time.

Mayor Ganim offered Council Member Burns his deepest condolences and commended his service.

PLEDGE

Council Member Salter lead those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Lydia Martinez called roll.

The following members were present:

130th District: Scott Burns; Kathryn Bukovsky
131st District: Denese Taylor-Moye; Jack Banta
132nd District: M. Evette Brantley
133rd District: Jeanette Herron; Thomas C. McCarthy
134th District: Michelle A. Lyons; AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia
135th District: Richard D. Salter; Mary McBride-Lee
136th District: Jose R. Casco; Alfredo Castillo
137th District: Milta I. Feliciano; Aidee Nieves
138th District: Anthony R. Paoletto; Nessah J. Smith
139th District: James Holloway; Eneida L. Martinez

A quorum was present.

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MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Mayor Ganim took a point of personal privilege in order to filibuster while staff members drew up accurate documentation. He thanked the members of the Council, particularly the co-chairs of the Budget and Appropriations Committee for their exceptional diligence throughout the budget process. He stated that he believed ultimately, despite challenges as a result of state cutbacks, that the budget has come a long way from where it was several weeks ago.

Council Member Brantley took a point of personal privilege to bring the Council and City's attention to National Foster Care Awareness Month. She stated that a member of the Council, Council Member Nieves, was herself a foster parent for a teenage girl, who just recently enlisted in the Marine Corps and is the daughter of her heart. She stated that it is challenging to get people to commit to being foster parents, especially for teenagers. She asked if anyone has time to spare, to consider becoming a foster parent. Council Member Brantley stated that they will be honoring the City's foster parents at the end of the month. She stated that the City's youth are faced with drug and opioid addiction as well as human trafficking. She stated on May 21st at Life Bridge Fairfield Avenue, they will be holding a workshop on Heroin and Opioid Addiction of Children in Foster Care who overcame addiction, featuring young women who overcame addiction and now work as advocates. The workshop will be held from 9 AM to 12 PM, and Senator Blumenthal will be present.

Council President McCarthy introduced those seated in the audience. The following individuals were present:

- A. Democratic Town Chair Mario Testa
- B. State Representative Charlie Stallworth
- C. Mr. Steve Nelson
- D. Former State Senator Ernest Newton
- E. Chief AJ Perez
- F. Former Councilman Joel Gonzalez
- G. Former Councilman Angel DePara

Council Member Brantley requested the Council take a group photo wearing t-shirts she distributed in honor of Foster Care Awareness Month.

The filibuster ended at 9:14 PM.

92-15 A, B, C, D, E BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017- VOTES AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND:

- A. REVENUE INCREASES
- B. REVENUE DECREASES

C. APPROPRIATION INCREASES

D. APPROPRIATION DECREASES

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 AS AMENDED

Atty. Anastasi stated that they will need to amend the committee reports, then approve them.

Council President McCarthy stated that the Mayor submitted a budget to the Council, and at that point the budget committee reviewed and worked on it for several weeks before referring to the City Clerk. He stated that the basis of this evening's budget is to review the Council's Recommended Budget, which they based off of the Mayor's Budget. He stated that the following changes and agreements were made:

1. The Mayor expressed concern regarding relying on state revenue too strongly in the City, as the State has not passed their budget yet. Airing on the side of responsibility, the Council is recommending that they place any leftover funds into a new finance contingency designated 'Other Financing Contingency B'. In this way, the City can wait until the State passes its budget and then react and use the funds more responsibly once a clear picture of their fiscal future is revealed.
2. A few small changes with zero overall impact from what the budget committee recommended from the overall line.

Mayor Ganim asked that the City Clerk be given a clean copy of the report Council President McCarthy has.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **ITEM 92A: REVENUE INCREASES**
 - a. **INCREASING REVENUE LINE #01610000-41544 "SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTIES" FROM \$250,000 TO \$450,000.**
 - b. **INCREASING REVENUE LINE #01455000-41533 "BUILDING DEPARTMENT PERMITS" FROM \$285,000 TO \$485,000.**
2. **ITEM 92C: APPROPRIATION INCREASES.**
 - a. **INCREASE OTHER FINANCING CONTINGENCY FROM \$0 TO \$3,509,516. (CREATE NEW APPROPRIATION LINE CALLED "OTHER FINANCING CONTINGENCY B").**
3. **ITEM 92D: APPROPRIATION DECREASES**
 - a. **INCREASE APPROPRIATION IN LABOR RELATIONS SALARIES #01085000-5100 FROM \$455,158 TO \$567,158.**
 - b. **INCREASE APPROPRIATION IN CAO/CITISTAT SALARIES #01106000-51000 FROM \$759,292 TO \$894,292**
 - c. **INCREASE APPROPRIATION IN OPED SALARIES #01450000-51000 FROM \$1,144,506 TO \$1,235,506.**

d. INCREASE APPROPRIATION IN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT OTHER SERVICES #01290000-56180 FROM \$143,000 TO \$205,000.

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Atty. Anastasi noted that any one member of the Council is within their rights to ask for a roll call or individual vote for a line item.

Mayor Ganim asked that the record reflect both he and Council President McCarthy asked for any objections, and no one came forward.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM #92-15A RE: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 RE: REVENUE INCREASES AS AMENDED.**

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM #92-15B RE: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 RE: REVENUE DECREASES AS AMENDED.**

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM #92-15C RE: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 RE: APPROPRIATION INCREASES AS AMENDED.**

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- ** MOTION PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) VOTES IN FAVOR AND ONE (1) VOTE IN OPPOSITION (VIZZO-PANICCIA).**

Mayor Ganim clarified for those present that the items being read are amended as a result of the initially passed resolution.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM #92-15D RE: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 RE: APPROPRIATION DECREASES AS AMENDED.**

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) VOTES IN FAVOR AND ONE (1) VOTE IN OPPOSITION (VIZZO-PANICCIA).**

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE ITEM #92-15E RE: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 AS AMENDED.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Ganim asked Atty. Anastasi if it would be possible for the Council to transmit the budget to his office by noon the next day, as opposed to this evening. Atty. Anastasi stated that it would be possible.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO TRANSMIT THE APPROVED AS AMENDED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 TO MAYOR GANIM'S OFFICE BY NO LATER THAN 12:00 PM, TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 9:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Ramos

Telesco Secretarial Services

Item# 92-15 (a-e)

General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (as amended).



Report
of
Committee
on

Budget & Appropriations

City Council Meeting Date: MAY 9, 2016
(SPECIAL MEETING)

Attest: Lydia N. Martinez
Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk

Approved by: Joseph P. Ganim
Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date Signed : 5/23/16

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City of Bridgeport, Connecticut

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

The Committee on Budget and Appropriations begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. 92-15 a, b, c, d, e

RESOLVED, That the Mayor's Proposed General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 be, and it hereby is approved as amended below and attached hereto.

a.) Revenue Increases \$ 2,956,950.00
b.) Revenue Decreases \$ 10,820,028.00

Total Revenues..... \$ ~~550,382,101.00~~
552,491,617.00

c.) Appropriation Increases.....\$ 6,141,202.00

d.) Appropriation Decreases.....\$ 14,004,280.00

Total Appropriations..... \$ ~~550,382,101.00~~
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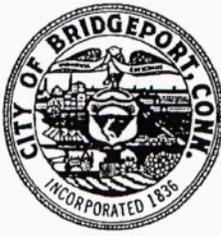
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City of Bridgeport, Connecticut Office of the City Clerk

Report of Committee on Budget and Appropriations

Item No. 92-15 a, b, c, d, e

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
THE COMMITTEE ON
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Denese Taylor-Moye, D-131st, Co-Chair

Scott Burns, D-130th, Co-Chair

M. Evette Brantley, D-132nd

Amy Marie Vizzo-Paniccia, D-134th

Anthony R. Paoletto, D-138th

Aidee Nieves, D-137th

Jose R. Casco, D-136th

City Council Date: May 9, 2016 (Special Meeting)

Motion to Amend Budget and Appropriations Committee Report By:

Item #92-15

Revenue Increases: Item 92-(a):

1. Increasing revenue line #01610000-41544 "Sale of City Owned Properties" from \$250,000 to \$450,000.
2. Increasing revenue line #01455000-41533 "Building Department Permits" from \$285,000 to \$485,000.

Appropriation Increases: Item 92-(C):

1. Increase Other Financing Contingency from \$0 to \$3,609,500.
(Create new appropriation line called "Other Financing Contingency B"

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Appropriations Decreases: Item 92-(d):

1. Increase Appropriation in Labor Relations Salaries #01085000-5100 from \$455,158 to \$567,158.
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JOSEPH P. GANIM
Mayor

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May 23, 2016

The Honorable Lydia Martinez
City Clerk
City of Bridgeport
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06604

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Re: Item # 92-15 (a-e) General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Dear City Clerk Martinez,

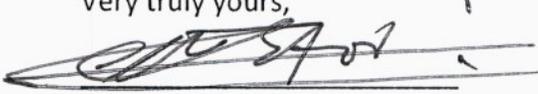
Enclosed herewith is the above referenced Item No. 92-15 executed by Mayor Joseph Ganim on May 23, 2016.

The Fiscal Year 16-17 Budget document which was passed and sent to the Mayor from the City Council reflected \$550,382,101.00 in "Total Revenues" and "Total Appropriations." Unfortunately, this number is the result of a mathematical miscalculation or scrivener error which is inconsistent with the amendments that the City Council made to the Mayor's Proposed Budget in the Budget Committee and on the floor of the Council on the night of May 9, 2016.

As reflected in the handwritten corrections (made by and initialed by the Mayor) on Item No. 92-15 signed by the Mayor on May 23, 2016, the "Total Revenues" and "Total Appropriations" should be and is \$552,491,617.00. This number is consistent with Item No. 92-15 a, b, c, d, and e passed by the Council on May 9, 2016.

In support of this transmittal, we have attached a account of the City Council's amendments to the Mayor's Proposed Budget 16-17.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nkwo', written over a horizontal line.

Nestor Nkwo
Budget Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Anastasi', written over a horizontal line.

Mark Anastasi
Assoc. City Attorney

Cc: Mayor Joseph Ganim
Members of the City Council
Thomas Gaudett
Kenneth Flatto
R. Christopher Meyer
Frances Ortiz

Mayor's Proposed Budget Appropriations:	\$560,354,695.00
Exhibit: 5816-1 Passed by Budget Committee reduced appropriations by:	\$11,872,594.00
Total Submitted to the Full Council from Budget Committee:	\$548,482,101.00
Total Appropriations added to the budget by the Full Council on May 9, 2016:	\$4,009,516.00
Total Budget Appropriations:	\$552,491,617.00

From the Floor

MEETING DATE: June 6, 2016 NO. 92-15 (A-E)
 COMMITTEE: _____ REFERRED TO COMM.: _____

SUBJECT: Adopted General Fund Budget FY 2016-2017 adopted by Full Council on Special Meeting of May 9, 2016.
 MOTION BY: T. McCarthy 2ND BY: all in favor

APPROVED DENIED _____ TABLED _____ REF. TO COMM. _____

REMARKS: Motion to add into the record letter dated May 23, 2016 (see attached) for the purpose of correcting a mathematical error on total revenues and total appropriations from 550,382,101.00 to
 YES _____ NO 552,491,617.00

Kathryn M. Bukovsky		
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