

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023  
City Council Chambers, City Hall  
45 Lyon Terrace  
Bridgeport, CT 06604**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Nieves called the Public Speaking session of the City Council to order at 6:41 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk Lydia Martinez called the roll.

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138<sup>th</sup> District: Maria Pereira, Samia Suliman  
139<sup>th</sup> District: Ernest Newton

A quorum was present. Names shown in italics did not respond when the roll was called. It was stated that Council Member Cruz had an excused absence due to a schedule conflict.

**THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 45 LYON TERRACE, BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604.**

**NAME**

**SUBJECT**

**John Marshall Lee**  
30 Beacon Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06605

COB – Finances & Governance.

Mr. Lee came forward and read the following statement into the record.

Happy New Year to each of you and to your family, as well. For they are the ones who forgo your company and contribution to specific family welfare when you are absent, at Council sessions, Committee meetings and doing homework for those subjects, and engagement with your community constituents. Where do you find time for earning a living, caring for your mind and body, feeding your mind on a broad range of life issues and for some plain down-time where you can reflect and re-energize before you are ‘on call,’ once again?

I have attended several gatherings intended to celebrate the passing of neighbors and friends, called home by their Creator; just as we all should expect to be. More specific directions for the beyond are not in my notes or mind, but I do encourage others to be ever thankful for the opportunities to develop our gifts to their fullest; for the rewards of working fairly and justly on behalf of others; and for great collaboration as a unified community to meet the needs of neighbors who are suffering from neglect, abuse, hatred, or violence, and feeling unrespected and alone.

It is why I have supported systems for making nutritious food available regularly where needed, for aiding those seeking safe shelter to pursue a quality life for a family, and to develop talents, skills, and brainpower as youth, the better to find creative ways, teachers, mentors and other supporters to succeed into their futures. When we finally pass, we leave legacies, whether intended or not. Consider seriously what your legacy will be and consider how you feel about it.

There are many things you hear, and likely, fewer things that you listen to closely because of their importance to you and those you care about. When a neighborhood school test results are lower than 20% and decreasing while state averages are 3-4 times higher, how much oversight do you undertake to learn what is holding your neighborhood school back? Whom is a parent to blame if members of a Board of Education and of a City Council are questioned about where a school is and why? Are there strategies or tactics which have small budgets but big results? How do you match up your budget process to such a challenge?

It’s a new year, an election year for Mayor Ganim and for each of you. He has had years to provide an opportunity for Charter Revision. Why does he really wish to delay such process for yet another year? Is it FAIR to the voters? Time will tell.

**Jacquelyn Cauthen**  
397 Charles Street  
Sage D.I.V.A.S

Nana Jackie Presents SAGE GARDEN  
POETRY – Original Poetry.

Ms. Cauthen was not present at the meeting.

**Juliemar Ortiz**  
205 Fairview Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT

Ms. Ortiz came forward and submitted the following statement, which she read into the record:

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Regular Meeting  
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Dear Mayor Ganim,

We were recently informed that you signed off on a term expiration notice for Nina Thomas from the Board of Commissioners of the Bridgeport Water Pollution Control Authority. We believe not reappointing Commissioner Thomas would have a negative impact on efforts to improve the quality of life in our community and Bridgeport as a whole.

For nearly two years the PT Partners Anti-Oppression Taskforce has been meeting quarterly with WPCA staff leadership to address residents' questions about construction, safety, noise, smell pollution and other concerns as WPCA plans to move closer to PT. Unfortunately, these conversations went on for over a year with little progress. It was not until we were introduced to Commissioner Thomas earlier this year that we found someone who understands our work and efforts to have transparent and productive discussions.

Losing Commissioner Thomas would be devastating for our residents and the progress we have made thus far. Commissioner Thomas was supportive to the community in many ways:

- She pays close attention to current safety concerns at the plant
- She is responsive and well-informed about the everyday lives of the people living closest to the WPCA
- Through her outreach efforts, she increased resident participation in Board meetings
- She brought resident issues and input to the Board outside of public meetings
- She is dedicated to racial equity and environmental justice
- She is committed to serving and has never missed a meeting

As low-income BIPOC residents forced to live directly among several polluting industries, we are seeing an increased level of cancer, chronic asthma and other diseases. This is why we are actively advocating for breathable air, clean and sustainable neighborhoods, and green spaces. Commissioner Thomas is the one person who spoke up to ensure that our voices were heard and that our questions were answered. She kept us informed about public meetings, which led to PT Partners having the opportunity to present to the WPCA Board on October 18th.

As a community of majority Black and Latinx women, we support equal representation in government and also note that Mrs. Thomas was the only Black woman on the WPCA Board.

After the 1970 death of 8 year old Gary Crooks on WPCA property, the relationship between PT and the WPCA was seemingly tarnished forever. Over the decades, this relationship was further corroded by the unaddressed pervasive sewage odor that still today permeates inside and around PT homes. However, when the WPCA announced the reconstruction of its facility adjacent to the PT Barnum Apartments, we saw this as the perfect opportunity to re-engage, build stronger relationships, and address racial injustices together.

We applaud Commissioner Thomas' passion to serve and her dedication to environmental justice and racial equity. She serves with authority and is the exact type of commissioner the residents of Bridgeport need serving on city boards..

**We urge the reappointment of Nina Thomas to the Board of Commissioners of the Bridgeport Water Pollution Control Authority.** Commissioner Thomas is a proven and dedicated community-minded public servant who has the characteristics our residents need to build a long-overdue trusting relationship with the WPCA.

Sincerely,  
PT Partners Anti-oppression Taskforce and our partners

Dione Dwyer, PT Resident Leader	Scott Burns, City Councilor
Zenida Gonzalez, PT Resident Leader	Ernie Newton, City Councilor
Shaurice Bacon, PT Resident Leader	Tyler Mack, City Councilor
Lismari Martorony, PT Resident Leader	Gemeem Davis, Bridgeport Generation Now
Lucy Machado, PT Resident Leader	Calabria Heilmann, Bridgeport Generation Now
Evelyn Medina, PT Resident Leader	Kat Morris, Seaside Sounds Club
Nilsa Heredia, PT Resident Leader	Alex Rodriguez, Save the Sound
Wendy Rivera, PT Resident Leader	Tamsyn Ambler, PT Partners
April Ward, PT Resident Leader	Juliemar Ortiz, PT Partners
Tamika Alston, Trumbull Gardens Resident Leader	
Dizett Hamilton, Trumbull Gardens Resident Leader	
Dr. Vanessa Liles, PT Partners	
Peter Propp, PT Partners Anti-oppression Taskforce	

**Dizett Hamilton**  
555 Trumbull Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT

Ms. Hamilton came forward and read the following document into the record:

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Good evening members of the City Council,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and my address is \_\_\_\_\_.

I'm here to represent the voice of PT residents who support Nina Thomas being reappointed as a WPCA Commissioner.

No one can deny that building residential housing directly next to a sewage treatment plant was a terrible decision. And although that decision was made a long time ago, we the residents of PT continue to suffer today.

If you ever visited PT, you know we're known for the terrible smell - the sewage smell that takes over the neighborhood, our playgrounds, and even inside our apartments all year round. The stench is worse in the summer months.

But for decades, PT residents have been forced to live with that smell. Some residents - and I remind you we're talking about low income public housing - even have to spend more money on energy bills each month because they have to plug in air purifiers just to be able to breathe in their own homes.

This is unacceptable and it's one of the reasons we began quarterly meetings with the WPCA in the first place. We wanted to make sure that the upgrades to the plant included addressing the smell, construction safety, and that it was a transparent process.

Commissioner Thomas cared to reach out to us and listen to our concerns with empathy and understanding. She asked all the right questions. She valued safety ~~and~~ transparency and accountability. She is a valuable part of the partnership between PT and WPCA and losing her would set us back tremendously.

As a community of majority Black and Latinx women, we are 100% against removing the only Black woman from the WPCA Board and replacing her with a white man who may or may not understand our struggle the way Nina Thomas does.

Fortunately, there's still an open seat to be filled and we strongly urge that Commissioner Thomas is the person to fill that seat.

Thank you.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Nieves closed the Public Speaking Session at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services

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**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**City Council Chambers, City Hall - 45 Lyon Terrace**

**Bridgeport, Connecticut**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ganim called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:33 p.m.

**PRAYER**

Council Member McBride-Lee led those present in prayer.

Council Member Lyons requested a moment of silence in memory of former Council Member Robert Walsh who recently passed away. Council Member Newton and Council Member McBride-Lee also requested that others who had recently died be remembered.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Brown led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk Lydia Martinez called the roll.

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Council President Nieves requested a moment of personal privilege. She announced that this was Council Member Brown's last meeting before he starts his term in the State Legislature. Council President Nieves then requested Council Member Brown to come forward. The Council Members then presented Council Member Brown with a plaque and thanked him for all his hard work.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

**• November 21, 2022**

**\*\* COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 21, 2022 MEETING.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 21, 2022 MEETING AS SUBMITTED PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, BOYD, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCA, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, CASTILLO, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) ABSTENTION (PEREIRA).**

**• December 5, 2022**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2022 MEETING.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 5, 2022 MEETING AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:**

**08-22** Communication from Central Grants re: Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development Historic Restoration Fund – Perry Memorial Arch (#23868), referred to Economic and Community Development and Environment Committee.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:**

**08-22 COMMUNICATION FROM CENTRAL GRANTS RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HISTORIC RESTORATION FUND – PERRY MEMORIAL ARCH (#23868), REFERRED TO ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBERS VIZZO-PANICCIA AND CASTILLO SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:**

**09-22 Communication from Finance re: Proposed Resolution regarding the Amendment of Capital Project Authorization to the 2019-2023 Capital Plan and Approval of General Obligation Bonds for the Civic Block/Honey Locust Square Project, FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.**

Mayor Ganim said that this item involved the Civic Block agreement. He said that generally he was not a proponent for immediate consideration, but in this case, he was. He also noted that Bond Counsel and the OPED staff were present to answer questions.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO CONSIDER AGENDA ITEM 09-22 FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira spoke about how many of the Council Members were not on the Council when the project was first proposed. She said that the contractor was involved in work at the Library and the project ran over budget. This item should be sent back to Committee for discussion because Council Member Pereira had a lot of questions.

Council Member Newton noted that this project would jump start a community. He reminded everyone that he had been on the Council with three different mayors and felt that this project had been vetted. He said that he would like to have the State help, but they can't wait for the State because the community needs it. Discussion followed.

Mayor Ganim said that he had stated he would support this item going forward if the Council Members were comfortable.

Council Member Herron pointed out that there had been many different projects that had gone over budget. She mentioned the fact that the amphitheater had gone over budget but the project had been very successful.

Council Member Lyons asked why it had to be voted on tonight.

Council Member Hodges said that he was a lifelong resident and mentioned the fact that there were residents of the East End who did not have a local grocery store or pharmacy. They have to travel to another part of town for groceries or prescriptions. It is time to get a grocery store in that part of town.

Council President Nieves reminded everyone that the project was already in the Capital Plan. It has already been vetted by Bond Counsel and this was just an amendment to an existing agreement.



A roll call vote was requested.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 09-22 COMMUNICATION FROM FINANCE RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE AMENDMENT OF CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2019-2023 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE CIVIC BLOCK/HONEY LOCUST SQUARE PROJECT FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION PASSED WITH FIFTEEN (15) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, BOYD, HERRON, VIZZO-PANICCIA, ROMAN-CHRISTY, CASTILLO, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN AND NEWTON); TWO (2) OPPOSED (LYONS AND PEREIRA) AND ONE (1) ABSTENTION (MCBRIDE-LEE).**

**\*\* COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED AGENDA ITEM 09-22 COMMUNICATION FROM FINANCE RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE AMENDMENT OF CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2019-2023 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE CIVIC BLOCK/HONEY LOCUST SQUARE PROJECT  
\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

Mr. Flatto came forward and gave a brief overview of the Project. He explained that the amendment would allow the funding would be disbursed in phases.

Mr. John Stafstrom, the Bond Counsel, came forward and noted that the Council had previously approved a million dollars for the project. He said that the funding was intended for the cleanup of the site. Now, he said that they would be amending the wording regarding the developer.

Mr. Coleman came forward and gave the details of the changes. He said that when they received notice from the State, the staff felt it was important to move forward on the project.

Council Member Burns suggested an amendment regarding adding stipulations to the bank agreement.

Discussion followed about the fact that the City will be putting forward their funding first and hopefully the State will approve funding. Mayor Ganim said that by putting earnest money forward first, it will strengthen the City's commitment to the State and others.

Several Council Members expressed concerns about what would happen if the banks were reluctant to support the project or if the project failed.

Council Member Pereira said that it was a red flag that the economy was entering a recession but the developer was asking for more money. Mr. Coleman explained that someone else developed the concept as the original projected cost was \$8.5 million. Discussion followed about the fact that there had been funding allocated for the demolition and clean up for the site, and there were funds left over.

Council Member Pereira noted that OPED has often come to the Council with items for immediate consideration and pointed out that even third and fourth graders know when winter is coming. She stated that she was not going to vote in favor of the project because she would not be rushed into a vote.

Council Member Newton said that he had heard the discussion and the developer had located his office on the site. He also noted that the Council does not have the authority to dictate terms to a bank. The developer had invested in the project and now simply wants access to the funding that had already been earmarked for the project. This will show the State that the City believes in this project.

Discussion followed about the details regarding the designation of the various amounts of funding involved. Mr. Coleman reminded everyone that there have been changes in the price of steel and other construction materials.

Council Member Burns said that his amendment was simply to inform the banks that the City was making a serious investment in this project.

Mr. Stafstrom came forward to address these concerns. He explained that the Bond Counsel is not involved in the drafting of the actual contract. That is handled by the City Attorney's Office. He suggested they could include performance goals or others safeguards in the agreements. Mr. Flatto reiterated that they would disburse the funding in installments.

Mayor Ganim reminded everyone that this was a technical amendment to a Capital Project Authorization.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 09-21 COMMUNICATION FROM FINANCE RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE AMENDMENT OF CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2019-2023 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE CIVIC BLOCK/HONEY LOCUST SQUARE PROJECT PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, BOYD, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, CASTILLO, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

**MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON (CONSENT CALENDAR):**

**\*144-21 Economic and Community Development and Environment Committee Report re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development – Youth Service Corps Grant Program (#23673), WITHDRAWAL.**

**\*147-21 Economic and Community Development and Environment Committee Report re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) – Climate Resilience Fund (#23447).**

**\*148-21 Economic and Community Development and Environment Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Department of Transportation (DOT) – Rights of Way Project – Resilient Bridgeport Rebuild by Design (RBD).**

**\*05-22 Economic and Community Development and Environment Committee Report re: Grant Submission: CT Department of Economic and Community Development – Community Investment Fund 2030 Grant Program, WITHDRAWAL.**

**\*137-21 Ordinance Committee Report re: Amendment to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Chapter 5.16 – Barber Shops and Beauty Salons.**

Mayor Ganim asked if there was any Council Member who would like to remove this item from the Consent Calendar. No one indicated that they would like to do so. The City Clerk then read the agenda item into the record.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**\*144-21 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – YOUTH SERVICE CORPS GRANT PROGRAM (#23673), WITHDRAWAL.**

**\*147-21 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEEP) – CLIMATE RESILIENCE FUND (#23447).**

**\*148-21 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) – RIGHTS OF WAY PROJECT – RESILIENT BRIDGEPORT REBUILD BY DESIGN (RBD).**

**\*05-22 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: CT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND 2030 GRANT PROGRAM, WITHDRAWAL.**

**\*137-21 ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT RE: AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 5.16 – BARBER SHOPS AND BEAUTY SALONS.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, BOYD, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, CASTILLO, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

**06-22 Report re: Appointment of Raymond Collette (D) to the Water Pollution Control Authority, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER MACK MOVED TO REFER AGENDA ITEM 06-22 REPORT RE: APPOINTMENT OF RAYMOND COLLETTE (D) TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE BACK TO THE MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, BOYD, HERRON, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, CASTILLO, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN, PEREIRA AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) ABSTENTION (LYONS).**

Council Member Brown then requested a point of personal privilege. He said it had been five years since he joined the Council and also mentioned one of his predecessors, the late Council Member M. Evette Brantley. He noted that one of his first votes had been against an item and reminded everyone that he had voted against the appointment of a Health Director who did not live in Bridgeport.

Council Member Brown concluded his remarks by saying that he would be submitting his Council resignation Wednesday, January 4th in order to begin his new position in the State Legislature. He thanked everyone and wished everyone well.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Service