

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS
COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING
AUGUST 7, 2023**

ATTENDANCE: Scott Burns, Co-chair; Ernest Newton, Co-chair; Jeanette Herron, Mary McBride-Lee, Matthew McCarthy, AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia

OTHERS: Council Member(s): J. Cruz & M. Pereira; John Marshal Lee

CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair Burns called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

Proposed Amendment to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Section 2.36.010 – Officers’ and Unaffiliated Employee Salaries for the purposes of adding a New Part-Time Salary for the position of OPM Director under the subsection, Executive Appointed Officials at Grade 8. [96-22]

Council Member Burns asked if there was anyone present to speak in favor of Agenda Item 96-22. No one came forward. He repeated his request two more times. No one came forward.

Council Member Burns asked if there was anyone present to speak in opposition to Agenda Item 96-22.

Council Member Pereira said that it was ludicrous to pay this amount of money for a logo. While it may not seem to be a lot of money but it means a lot of money to the taxpayer.

She said that they were telling people that Mr. Nkwo was irreplaceable but she pointed out that there were Presidents that died in office and the country continued on. She added that the country had survived Donald Trump.

Mr. Lee came forward and said that he believed that there was those who were unhappy and people wanted to know where the money went. He said that he would like to see a more responsive Council elected.

ADJOURNMENT

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Telesco Secretarial Services