

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: Maria Valle, Co-chair; Mary McBride-Lee, Co-chair; Scott Burns, Jorge Cruz, Michelle Lyons, Jazmarie Melendez, Eneida Martinez

OTHERS: Council Member(s): E. Newton, T. Mack, J. Herron, M. McCarthy & R. Ortiz; A. Ojeda, Central Grants; Joseph Katz, Central Grants; Jonathan Delgado, OPED; Cathy Fletcher, OPED; B. Coleman, Deputy Director, OPED; Tammy Papa, Health Department; Regina Vermont, Youth Services; Sumit Sharma, Health Department; Thomas Gaudett, Deputy Chief of Staff; Su-Yun, Mark Harp, Youth Services

CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair Valle called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES:

• October 18, 2023 (Regular Meeting).

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MCBRIDE-LEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 18, 2023 MINUTES.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 18, 2023 MINUTES AS SUBMITTED MINUTES PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

• January 2, 2024 (Special Meeting).

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MCBRIDE-LEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2, 2024 SPECIAL MINUTES.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2, 2024 SPECIAL AS SUBMITTED MINUTES PASSED WITH THREE (3) IN FAVOR (MCBRIDE-LEE, LYONS AND MARTINEZ) AND THREE (3) ABSTENTIONS (BURNS, CRUZ AND MELENDEZ).**

03-23 Grant Submission: United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods – Congress Street Bridge Capital Construction (#24663).

Mr. Katz presented the item and said that Jonathan Delgado and Cathy Fletcher were present from OPED to speak about the item. Mr. Katz gave a brief overview of the project which is seeking to remove barriers to connecting communities. There will be matching funds available and there are local funds available to meet the matching requirements.

Council Member McBride-Lee asked if they could confirm the total amount of funding that the City had for the project. Mr. Delgado said that they have two accounts, one for demolition and one for construction. He said that the Federal Government views both phases as the entire project and the City has all the funding it needs for the project.

Council Member Burns said they had been told the entire project would cost \$42 million. Mr. Delgado reviewed the amounts with him.

Council Member Burns asked what the likelihood of being awarded this grant were and when the funding would be available. Mr. Katz said that they had heard they could hear back in the next few weeks about the grant awarding. There are other grants that may be available in the next few months. The RCN reviewers may determine the project is a good candidate for the RAISE grant, they might have the opportunity to apply for that grant.

Council Member Cruz said that these constant delays for the bridge repairs has been a disgrace. It bothers him that the City has to apply for grants to repair the bridge. It delays the emergency responses for the police, fire and EMS. He asked why Engineering was not present to speak about why there were so many delays.

Council Member Newton said that Congressman Shays had said that there had been money given to repair the bridge. Mr. Delgado said that there were funds that had been bonded and the State had been given Federal funding to allocate to Bridgeport.

Council Member Newton said that in Norwalk there had been a problem with a bridge and they had been able to fix the bridge very quickly. He said that in Westport, they had also been able to replace a I-95 bridge very quickly. He said that this project was taking almost as long as Steel Point. He asked if the City had asked the State to come in to provide services. Mr. Delgado explained that the Congress Street bridge was locally owned and there had been many cost overruns. The money should have been invested in repairing the bridge. The seniors that live nearby have to go to the Stratford Avenue Bridge. Even though she was off the Council for two years, she stayed connected to the City business. If this was Black Rock, the bridge would have been repaired a long time ago.

Council Member Martinez said that the project has been going on for a long time and money has been deposited. She asked what it would take for the City to get this project completed.

Council Member Mack asked if this request would be the last one for funding. Mr. Delgado said that it was. He said that in the past, the focus of the grant request was on EMS, but this time, they have focused on the seniors and those who use bicycles being reconnected.

Council Member Ortiz asked what they would do if there were cost overruns. Mr. Delgado said that they had built funding into the budget for overruns.

Council Member McCarthy said that regarding the comment about Black Rock having their bridge repaired, he noted for the record, that there were some small projects like the installation of a fence and other simple things that have also taken years.

Council Member McBride-Lee said that the bridge has been closed a long, long time but felt that the staff in OPED was doing the best that they could with what they have. If she had a solution, she would tell them but she wondered if Mr. Katz and Mr. Delgado had been born when the bridge went out of service.

Council Member Mack asked if they had applied for CIF funds. Mr. Delgado said that they had not at this time but it was an option.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED AGENDA ITEM 03-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (US DOT) RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS – CONGRESS STREET BRIDGE CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION (#24663).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

04-23 Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development Office of Brownfield Remediation and Development – Municipal Grant Program (#24409).

Mr. Katz said that they had submitted a withdrawal for this item through the City Clerk's Office. The grant has already been declined. The withdrawal documentation was sent to the Council Members via email.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO ACCEPT THE OPED WITHDRAWAL OF AGENDA ITEM 04-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION AND DEVELOPMENT – MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM (#24409).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

Council Member Newton said that it was his understanding that Bridgeport does a poor job in applying for brownfield funding despite the number of former factories in the City.

Council Member Valle said that they needed to move forward with the items on the agenda and felt this should be discussed at another time.

Council Member Burns stated he would be voting against this item because the Committee was not presented with all the paperwork.

**** THE MOTION PASSED WITH FIVE (5) IN FAVOR (CRUZ, LYONS, MARTINEZ, MELENDEZ AND MCBRIDE-LEE)AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (BURNS).**

05-23 Grant Submission: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Environmental Justice Government-to-Government Program (#24574).

Mr. Katz presented the item. He said that they had received indications that they had been tentatively selected for the funding. This is for “complete the streets” on Main Street where there had been a number of pedestrian and cyclist fatalities. It may include things like bio-swales and permeable pavers. There is no match requirement. 20% of the grant funding will go to Groundworks Bridgeport, who will be a partner in the project.

Mr. Katz said that Ms. Fletcher was an OPED planner and was on the call. Council Member Burns asked where work would be done. Ms. Fletcher said that it was at East Main Street between Berkshire Avenue and East Washington Avenue. Discussion followed about the details.

Council Member McCarthy asked about crosswalks in that area. Ms. Fletcher said that they will have to focus on priorities first but would consider crosswalks. Council Member McCarthy said that East Main Street would see an increase in use if the projects on lower East Main are completed.

Council Member Martinez asked who had the authority to choose the partners. Ms. Fletcher said that they had to submit a number of potential partners and OPED thought that Groundworks would be the most appropriate for the project since they have a lot of experience with the components of the requirements. Mr. Katz said that the grant funding was still in discussion.

Council Member Martinez said that the terms of the contract had not been finalized and she did not think that local municipal contracts should be done. Mr. Katz said that Groundwork was named in the application and in order to change it, they would have to submit a change to the EPA. The resolution is for the authority to sign the contract.

Council Member Melendez agreed and asked about the accountability. Ms. Fletcher said that the community input would include at least 3 community events for input during the three years of the grant. This will be done through the East End NRZ and other community partners.

Council Member Cruz asked what the percentage of Groundworks staff that would be employed. Ms. Fletcher said that she would have to do some follow up on that question. Council Member Cruz said that it was important to have local minority workers involved. He said that Groundworks should be able to do a percentage of the work and share the work with other groups.

Mr. Katz said that Groundworks was run by Ms. Christina Smith, who was a former Council Member and a Bridgeport resident. She is familiar with the requirements for the work. Council Member Valle and McCarthy both agreed.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 05-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT PROGRAM (#24574).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

07-23 Grant Submission: United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods – Route 8 Decking Community Planning (#24893).

Mr. Katz said that this was the same type of grant opportunity as the Congress Street Bridge. This is a planning project to deck over some sections of Route 8 where it goes through the Hollow below grade rather than a construction grant. There is no matching funds involved.

Council Member Newton asked who decides what section of the City these projects are going to be done. Ms. Fletcher said that when it comes to grants, they review the grants and see what opportunities are available and how well they match the stated priorities. Discussion followed about the details including potential MetroCog and CPL projects that include the waterfront and the East side.

Council Member Burns suggested that they consider adding a new Police Department in the area if possible.

Council Member Newton asked who would be conducting the studies that would be done for the grants. Ms. Fletcher said that they would issue an RFP after the funding was awarded. It was pointed out that there had been numerous studies done with grant funding, but nothing ever changes.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 07-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (US DOT) RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS – ROUTE 8 DECKING COMMUNITY PLANNING (#24893).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

13-23 Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development – Community Investment Fund 2030 Grant Program Round 4 (#24435, #24439 & #24441).

Mr. Katz said that he would present this grant. This is Round 4 of 10. He said that grant project has three applications but the Department is only moving forward with the Stratford Avenue project. This grant will implement the Streets End Study that was recently completed. This would fund the recommendation for Stratford Avenue and there would be a match with

previously allocated State funding. This is a joint project with the Town of Stratford, which increases the likelihood of being awarded the funding.

Council Member Burns pointed out that they were being asked to vote on an item that is not “as presented”. He asked how this funding would be handled. Mr. Katz said that CT DOT was allowing the City to use previously expended on the improvements. Originally Stratford was going to take the lead, but it was later decided that Bridgeport should take the lead.

Mr. Delgado explained that this item had been proposed months ago and there had been a number of changes in the project since then. The focus would be on a round-about planned on the Stratford side.

Council Member Martinez commented that there had been a previous study done, but it had not taken in the complete area. She said that there had been a Seaview Avenue area study had been done and once again, nothing had been done. Mr. Delgado said that the Seaview Avenue intersection was particularly difficult to resolve.

Council Member Newton said that CIF grant funding was very competitive and it was not easy to win the award. He hoped that they would be careful not to compete with themselves when they submit so many projects.

Mr. Gaudett said that he would like to apologize for the confusion. This has been a moving situation and CIF has not been particularly clear on what they want. Some of the feedback they received from Hartford was that they should focus on the joint project with Stratford.

Council Member Burns stated he would be voting against this item because the Committee was not presented with updated paperwork.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 13-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND 2030 GRANT PROGRAM ROUND 4 (#24435, #24439 & #24441).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED WITH FIVE (5) IN FAVOR (CRUZ, LYONS, MARTINEZ, MELENDEZ AND MCBRIDE-LEE)AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (BURNS).**

14-23 Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families – Youth Services Bureau (#24532).

Ms. Ojeda from Central Grants greeted the Committee and presented the grant information. This would include child welfare, youth organizations and other items. There are matching funds required. She reviewed the various details and said that Ms. Vermont was present from Youth Services.

Council Member McBride-Lee asked if this would be part of the Lighthouse Program.

Ms. Papa said that this was Ms. Vermont's first meeting and that she would help with providing the information. This particular grant, which they receive every year, comes through the Youth Services Program and it is not part of the Lighthouse funding. However, the matching portion would be provided from the Lighthouse's General Fund. Ms. Papa said that this particular grant comes through the State Department of Children and Family Services. Because Bridgeport does not have a local Children's Department, the funds come through the Lighthouse/Youth Services accounts.

Council Member Burns asked for clarification on the timing of the grant. He also wished to know how the non-profit groups are selected and retained. Ms. Papa said that there had been an email some time ago asking the Council Members to share the opportunity with their community members. The grant has specific guidelines and the applications are reviewed and scored for relevance. Most of the grants are less than \$10,000.

The timing in July 1 to June 30th. They were waiting for the State cycle to start. The RFP was sent out but the application never arrived. Due to an email glitch, the City did not receive the State notification because DCYF is updating their email system. However, the City was able to meet the application deadline

Council Member Newton asked who had been awarded the grant funding. He was concerned that everyone gets to receive some funding.

Discussion followed regarding the various organizations that had been selected for funding.

Ms. Papa said that it might be good to hold a grant writing seminar for the various organizations. Some applications were missing information and others simply did not know how to write the grant application. It is important to follow the protocols in order to be reimbursed.

Council Member Newton stated that there were a lot of smaller organization that never received any funding.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 14-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU (#24532).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

15-23 Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families – Youth Services Bureau Enhancement Grant (#24540).

Ms. Ojeda said that this was an enhancement grant for child welfare, pregnancy support and mental health. She said that the partner was RYSAP was the partner.

Council Member Valle asked how the students or youth would be selected. Ms. Papa said that this would be in-house, but this partnership with RYASAP has worked well over the years. The

youth are referred to the YSB, which is Ms. Vermont's office. The referrals come from the parents, the police or the schools. If the parent agrees, the information is shared with RYASAP and then the agency takes over. About 35 or 49 youth have been referred to RYASAP and RYASAP reports back to the YSB. The families can also receive services. Discussion followed about the details.

Council Member McBride-Lee asked about the students who are referred to the program. Ms. Papa said that the YSB was the last resort for the students. The YSB does not make medical judgements. They will ask the Social Services to sit in or refer the child to the Child Guidance Center. If it is appropriate, the professionals will help make the referral to the JRB. Usually the type of student cases that they handle are truancy, or the child being abusive at home or disruptive at school.

Council Member Cruz said that there was nothing such as a stupid comment. He will continue saying what he thinks. He said that when the Council hears about grant funding, he hears about RYASAP, but they need to engage other organizations, like Harry Bell. RYASAP cannot do it all alone. He is apprehensive about voting in favor of this because others are being excluded from the grant funding.

Council Member Lyons said that sometimes the students act out because they are not engaged. She asked if the students who are ADD or ADHD are involved. Ms. Papa said that the staff is not privy to the medical diagnosis. The students may be classified as Special Education, but the staff will not know this. All Bridgeport students are eligible for services but most of the students will never need those services. Some students just need a change of venue and they turn themselves around. Both the parent and the student need to be involved.

Ms. Vermont said that they do have other agencies and organizations on their radar and will be incorporating them as well. Ms. Papa said that the RFP goes out to a number of organizations and they have the opportunity to be involved. She repeated that they probably need to hold a grant writing seminar and would be willing to help with that.

Ms. Melendez asked for clarification on the referral process. Ms. Papa said that the referral requires the parent's signature and if the school, the courts or the police refer a student, they send the parents to the YSB.

Council Member Martinez asked if they had data on which schools are referring students. Ms. Papa said that the referrals come from all the schools, but if there is a significant number of referrals from any given school, it is because the staff there is very engaged.

Council Member Martinez asked how many years the program had been operating. Ms. Papa said that the YSB program dated back about 30 years, from when Ms. Sorrentino was on staff. Council Member Martinez said that it would be important to advertise the resources to the community at large.

Council Member Martinez said that Ms. Ojeda was God's blessing to the City of Bridgeport.

Ms. Papa said that originally all the referrals went directly to the YSB. She said that there were some communities that have their own JRB, but it would cost Bridgeport hundreds of thousands of dollars and would be a duplication of services.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 15-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU ENHANCEMENT GRANT (#24540).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

22-23 Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Department of Public Health FY24 Per Capita Funding Allocation (#24220).

Ms. Ojeda gave a brief overview of the program and said that it would help identify health safety and health scanning. The previous year's unused funding will roll over and be used for contractual obligations and salaries. This will include homelessness and opioid addictions.

Council Member Newton asked if the funding was earmarked for new staff or established positions. Mr. Sharma said that there were some established positions, but they also will contract groups outside. Council Member Newton said that there were 143,000 residents and he felt that the Health Department should have the staff they need to keep the residents safe and healthy.

Council Member Burns said that the Director of Health and other positions are in house. He noted that a portion of the Director of Health and another position salaries are from the General funds.

Council Member Burns said that almost \$300,000 of the funding was not spent. Mr. Sharma said that it appears to be funding from the past. He noted that by the time that State funding arrives, it is January and the funding year ends in June. Focusing on homelessness and addiction will help, but they are trying to spend that amount in five months.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 22-23 GRANT SUBMISSION: RE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FY24 PER CAPITA FUNDING ALLOCATION (#24220).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

27-23 Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Tax PILOT Agreement ("PILOT") with the Bridgeport Housing Authority d/b/a Park City Communities ("PCC") to Facilitate the Substantial Renovation of the Harborview Apartments, Which Provide Housing to Elderly and Disabled Residents, located at 376 East Washington Avenue.

Mr. Coleman greeted the Committee and said he was not present to speak about a grant. He said that it was great to see how the new staff was presenting the grant opportunities.

Mr. Coleman said that the proposal was to upgrade and modernize the Harborview Apartments. There are about 240 apartments in the building. Now PCC was looking to upgrade the facility. He said that the PCC does pay a percentage of the rent that they receive from the residents.

The PILOT is not proposing any changes. The Housing Authority may change the structure of the ownership and they do not want this to affect the PILOT. The proposal would involve the moving the building into a related ownership entity. This would allow the Harborview Apartments to apply for grants that the PCC cannot. The request is for the City to recognize the potential ownership without changing the PILOT agreement.

Council Member McCarthy asked about the legality of this change. He also wished to know what would happen if Harborview was able to receive more money and whether the City would receive more money.

Mr. Coleman said that this was a legal move and had been reviewed by the City Attorney. Mr. Coleman said that Housing Authorities are being forced to become more agile and gave some examples of this such as Crescent Crossing and ground lease agreements. This is a way to provide a better outcome for the residents.

Mr. Coleman said that the units would be converted to a Section 8 residence. The improvements would be done under the Capital Improvements and not the Operating Fund.

Discussion followed about who would be named on the PILOT. Mr. Coleman said that the Housing Authority would still own the entity.

Council Member Cruz asked what the name of the new entity would be. Mr. Coleman said that he would have to follow up with that information. He did not think they had created the new entity yet.

Council Member Cruz asked about the Board of the Baldwin Holding. Mr. Coleman said that the information was public and there was a Housing Authority staff member on the Board. He added that he had a problem with that and wanted to have a list of who would be on the Board. Mr. Coleman said that there does have to be a relationship with the main corporation and the affiliate.

Ms. Melendez said that Fireside was in her District and some of her seniors are living with mold and other difficult situations. She asked how many of the units would remain affordable housing. Mr. Coleman said that all 240 units would remain as Public Housing and not become gentrified. He said that this project was to upgrade the facility. This public housing would remain as structured and would not displace the residents. The goal was to be able to apply for additional grants.

Council Member McBride-Lee said that she would like to take her hat off to Ms. Ojeda for handling the intense questioning.

Council Member McBride-Lee asked for clarification on the ownership of Harborview, which Mr. Coleman reviewed. He explained that it would be an LLC but remain as public housing. It will not be run by the residents.

Council Member McBride-Lee said that the Council had worked to look out for the elderly, the disabled and the homeless. The Council does the best that they can, but often times it is not enough. Council Member McBride-Lee said that she would like to see Mr. Gill, the OPED Director at some of these meeting.

Council Member Burns asked about concerns about how the payments would be arranged. Mr. Coleman said that he did not have that information and would follow up. He had heard from the Section 8 staff that the process works well and also had heard from the residents that things worked smoothly.

Council Member Burns asked about the 98 year ground lease. Mr. Coleman said that this was very typical and allows the entity to work on financing. Council Member Burns said that he had concerns about the length of the lease. Mr. Coleman said that with the ground lease, it is as if the City had sold the property.

Council Member Martinez spoke about the history of Bridgeport Housing Authority. Ms. Baldwin made a choice to come to Bridgeport. She could have gone elsewhere. 376 East Washington Avenue is a 240 unit residence for the seniors and disabled. There should not be any questions about the PILOT breaks for these most vulnerable residents.

Council Member Martinez said that Fireside had received funding to correct the mold problem at the facility. Ms. Baldwin has moved the BHA forward. She encouraged the Council Members to support this item.

Council Member Lyons said that she would wait for this to come to the Council floor before she makes a decision.

Council Member Cruz said that he would also vote against this until he gets more information and wants to see what work needs to be done. Council Member Cruz said that he needs the information he requested. Until then, he will withhold his vote.

Council Member Melendez said that anything that would improve the seniors issues would be good but she is concerned about the length of the lease, and the fact that it is an LLC.

Council Member Valle said that she was concerned about the ownership and the LLC. She has heard from the residents about the conditions in the building. This is not time sensitive. She said that perhaps it should be tabled until they have the information that they have requested.

Council Member Newton said that the 99 year leases allows the City to maintain the control of the land. Everyone knows that the buildings are in poor condition and this is an opportunity to give the seniors some better living conditions. This is a chance to give the seniors, who have paid

their dues, a chance to have improvements. It's time to think about the seniors. Mr. Coleman has explained it to the best of his ability. He suggested that they recess the meeting and have Jillian at the next meeting.

Council Member Burns said he agreed that it would be important to take care of the seniors. He said that he felt that they should table the item so they get the information

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BURNS MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 27-23 PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TAX PILOT AGREEMENT ("PILOT") WITH THE BRIDGEPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY D/B/A PARK CITY COMMUNITIES ("PCC") TO FACILITATE THE SUBSTANTIAL RENOVATION OF THE HARBORVIEW APARTMENTS, WHICH PROVIDE HOUSING TO ELDERLY AND DISABLED RESIDENTS, LOCATED AT 376 EAST WASHINGTON AVENUE.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BURNS WITHDREW HIS MOTION TO TABLE.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ WITHDREW HIS SECOND.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO RECESS THE ITEM TO GO BEFORE THE NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEMBER AT 5. P.M. AND HOPEFULLY THEY WILL HAVE THE INFORMATION ON THE MEMBERS OF BALDWIN HOLDING LLC; ANTICIPATED MEMBERSHIP OF HARBORVIEW LLC; THE 98 YEAR LEASE; AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION OF THE SECTION 8 PAYMENTS.**

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**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED**

Council Member Herron said that the meeting would be recessed and not adjourned. The item will remain open.

Council Member Melendez asked for documentation of legality. Mr. Coleman said that he would contact Atty. Pacacha about this.

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**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO RECESS THE ITEM TO BE RECONVENED BEFORE THE NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING ON**

FEBURARY 5TH AT 5. P.M. AND HOPEFULLY THE STAFF WILL PRESENT THE INFORMATION ON THE MEMBERS OF BALDWIN HOLDING LLC; THE ANTICIPATED MEMBERSHIP OF HARBORVIEW LLC; THE 98 YEAR LEASE; DOCUMENTATION SHOWING THE LEGALITY OF THE LLC; AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION OF THE SECTION 8 PAYMENTS.

Council Member Martinez said that Council Member Cruz was the liaison for the Housing Authority and could get the information directly from Ms. Baldwin.

Council Member Valle said that it would be important to allow Mr. Coleman to produce the information that he was requested to provide

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting recessed at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services