AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

7:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL - 45 LYON TERRACE

BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT 06604

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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5.)	Rabbi Richard Eisenberg Congregation Rodeph Sholom 2385 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	Resolution 20-23 calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.
6.)	Tony Barr 141 Pennsylvania Ave., #8 Bridgeport, CT 06610	Addressing the City Council Members on how they should work for the people of Bridgeport.
7.)	Mohamed Ali BICC 2370 North Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	History of Palestine.
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CITY OF BRIDGEPORT CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held before the City Council of Bridgeport at a regular meeting to be held on **Tuesday** evening, **February 20, 2024** beginning at **7:00 p.m.**, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 Lyon Terrace, Bridgeport, Connecticut, relative to the following item listed below.

• Proposed Lease Agreement with Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut regarding vacant land at the Fairchild-Wheeler Golf Course for the purpose of installing a Water Pump Station along with any related Infrastructure or Appurtenances to the Facility. [01-23]

Attest:

Lydia N. Martinez City Clerk

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 City Council Chambers, City Hall 45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06604

CALL TO ORDER

City Council President, Aidee Nieves called the Public Speaking session of the City Council to order at 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The City Clerk, Lydia Martinez called the roll.

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There were a total of ten speakers, ten were registered to speak and due to one speaker being absent, one speaker was asked to speak from the sign-up sheet.

NAME

SUBJECT

John Marshall Lee -30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605 Municipal Governance, Participation, Voting, and Civics.

Mr. Marshall Lee came forward and read into the record:

Disciples of democracy, I greet you tonight to explore two quotes from American history. Ben Franklin born in 1706 in Boston spent many years in France and Philadelphia, where he died in 1790, was known as a Founding Father. In 1754 during the French and Indian War, 20 years

before the American revolution, imaged the serpent with the message, **JOIN**, **OR DIE** in his Philadelphia paper. It is not one of his most famous quotes.

Context is critical. The colonies were growing, settlers pushing west but the state boundaries for New York and Pennsylvania were unknown. Indigenous people were settled to the west. They were not contemplated in the governance by Colonials as folks with rights or land ownership and other practices from English royal tradition. The colonies two decades later included Delaware, then a part of Maryland, and Georgia, but the four New England states did not include Maine, a part of Massachusetts, or Vermont. which was the Vermont Territory during the Revolutionary War but became the 14th State in 1791. See the banner, study the context of colonials without the rights of free white men across the Atlantic in England, subject to taxes or commercial regulations 'without being at the table,' and responsible for safety of family and person as well as security of their property in frontier locations. Franklin's advice to fellow colonists, JOIN, OR DIE, becomes more clear. In 1864 at the lowest point of the Civil War Abraham Lincoln said: "We cannot have free government without elections;" Lest we forget, secession and separation of the States into warring parties in his first term with 620,000 casualties known to all caused some to question the Union. Since that time, rights around voting have been extended to people of color and to women as well as to naturalized immigrants like my father. If you believe Lincoln's words and act as believers, why are 75 to 80% of registered voters in Bridgeport absent from the polls? Is our local government authentically free when it provides such a minimal mandate from the governed? Where is your City Council systematic effort as those responsible today to answer these questions with democratic action? Do you believe that the words of these famous Americans are of value and ring true today? What do you say in response to the Founders? Time will tell.

Resolution for ceasefire.

Lisa Haut -1525 Noble Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06610

Ms. Haut came forward and read into the record:

As a longtime Bridgeport resident, I am here to state my strong opposition to the biased and factually inaccurate ceasefire resolution you have passed. It is not the city council's place to debate or pass resolutions regarding international policy. This kind of purely "political" legislation only serves to fan the flames of diversity, discord, and hatred. It does not promote peace in any way. The council's mission is to focus on Bridgeport matters, not to take controversial or offensive positions on global matters of great complexity and nuance. Furthermore, this resolution fails to take into consideration the values and views of all residents. Bridgeport is a diverse community and this resolution is objectionable to many residents for a number of reasons. Israel is a sovereign nation-state with the moral right and obligation to protect and defend the lives of its citizens. There was a ceasefire in place on October 6, which Hamas broke in the most brutal and barbaric way imaginable. There are still 132 innocent hostages being held in Gaza in hellish subhuman conditions. All of these actions, including, using human shields, using schools, hospitals, mosques as military bases complete with lethal weaponry, violate international law. I call up upon you to respect the varied opinions and sensitivities of the diverse community you represent and stop encouraging division, and animosity for no ultimate purpose, except to be exploited to further rising scourge of hate, violence, and antisemitism which is growing exponentially everywhere, including in our own state.

Ceasefire Resolution.

Carin Savel -Jewish Federation 4200 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604

Ms. Savel came forward and read into the record:

There are 4 questions to ask tonight.

1. Do you believe that Israel has the right to exist? If you do, then you recognize that Israel has been in existence for 4,00 years, since the time of the Kings, and that the modern Jewish State of Israel was declared in 1948. But in 2024, anti-Zionism is a shrewd cloak for antisemitism.

2. Do you believe that Hamas is a terrorist organization? If you do, then you recognize that ceasefire that existed on October 6 was broken by Hamas on October 7th, when they savagely butchered, murdered and mutilated over 1200 people, brutally raped and mutilated women and stole 250 men, women and children from their homes. When you passed this resolution, no speaker acknowledged the atrocities of Hamas that triggered this war. In fact, Hamas was never mentioned at all. But you will see for yourself on March 12, when you will be invited to screen 47 minutes of Hamas atrocities from their own video footage.

3. Are you a citizen of the United States? If you are, today, the United States—for the third timevetoed a widely supported U.N. resolution demanding an immediate cease-fire in the Israel-Hamas war, saying it would interfere with negotiations on a deal to free hostages abducted in Israel. When I was here last time, you made it clear that you were not interested in civil discourse and that opinions other than yours should be shouted down. These are not the values of America, and it brings me to the 4th question:

Do you want to live and work in a cohesive, safe, communal Bridgeport? If you do, then tonight we have an opportunity to begin to work towards it. We can begin by creating a new resolution for real peace, crafted with the Jewish and Muslim communities and guided by the City Council. A new resolution would take the place of the existing cease-fire resolution, which does not call for peace. It calls for the destruction of Israel. For decades the Jewish Federation has worked with and supported the Muslim community. We've helped fight period poverty here for a very long time with an effective program called Dignity Grows. Now, there are no more totes filled with feminine hygiene supplies for young women. Now, there is nothing between us but hate and anger. Do you know what would happen if all of Hamas put down their weapons for good right now? There would be no more war - there would be peace. Do you know what would happen if Israel put down all of her weapons right now? There would be no Israel. This is your opportunity to do good. Call us to the table and we will be there. Am Israel Chai. The people of Israel live.

Public Safety.

Marc Donald -Executive Director of RYASAP 2470 Fairfield Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604

Mr. Donald greeted the council and wanted to explain what his program does for the City of Bridgeport. Street safe helps with gun violence intervention and hospital response, actively working closely with the police department and other programs since 4 years ago. Bridgeport is one of the six cities to decrease youth gun violence in the country. He has shared a statistical report to show how his program contributes to the youth and they are looking to get approved for another yearly grant to continue their work in the city. He noted they have done this work since

July without a contract as a result of good faith and relationship with the police department and City of Bridgeport.

Rabbi Richard Eisenberg Congregation Rodeph Sholom 2385 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT06604 Resolution 20-23 calling for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Rabbi Eisenberg came forward and read onto the record:

Mayor Ganim, Council President Nieves, City council members: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak. I am Rabbi Richard Eisenberg of Congregation Rodeph Sholom. I was born in Bridgeport, grew up in Rodeph Sholom where I received my religious education and became Bar Mitzvah. I am not here to defend Israel or to debate the Palestinian cause. I am here, recognizing that we all pray for peace in Israel and Gaza, to express my concern about the resolution passed on 1/2, not to comment on its content or its positions. The majority of us here descend from the Judeo-Christian-Muslim tradition. We are children of Abraham. Some of us call him "Avraham", some call him "Ibrahim". But he is still our father and patriarch. We share a common heritage. Some of our children of Isaac, some are children of Ishmael. But we are all brothers and sisters, the fruits of a great and noble ancestry. I will now read a Joint Statement endorsed by major organizations of the Bridgeport Jewish community. This statement reflects an agreed upon consensus and does not touch upon the controversies surrounding the war in Gaza. For there are differences of opinion among Jews about how the war is being prosecuted. But that is besides the point. We are not here to solve the problems of the Middle East. We are here to advocate for the goal of maintaining the City Council and municipal government as safe spaces for people of all national, cultural and religious persuasions. And here now the Statement:

JOINT STATEMENT FROM MEMBERS OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

"We, the clergy and lay leadership of the Bridgeport Jewish community, express our profound concern and disappointment with the Bridgeport City Council's approval of Resolution No. 20-23 calling for an immediate de-escalation and permanent ceasefire in Gaza, Israel and the West Bank. This Resolution, approved on January 2, 2024, had no rightful place on the agenda of the City Council, a municipal body of officials who are elected to safeguard, protect and enhance the quality of life of Bridgeport's citizens. It is not the business of the City Council to editorialize and comment on international matters. Once this is allowed to happen, the Council is on a slippery slope, charged with assessing all international issues of concern, thereby diverting its attention from its true and necessary charge, to address municipal affairs. We call upon the Mayor and City Council to either annul, withdraw or rescind Resolution No. 20-23 and we respectfully ask for the Mayor and the City Council to issue a Proclamation condemning antisemitism, Islamophobia and all forms of racism and intolerance as they manifest in the City of Bridgeport. Such a Proclamation would unify the community and would fulfill the Council's mission to improve the lives of Bridgeport's citizens."

Tony Barr -141 Pennsylvania Avenue #8 Bridgeport, CT 06610 Addressing the City council members on how they should work for the people of Bridgeport.

Mr. Barr came forward to the podium and shared he is an American Muslim. He remembers watching the news while growing up regarding the Middle East. He stated we should consider the children in the Middle East, at least. As a nation, we get involved in many international affairs and this should be another concern to be involved in. As a black man, his people have been oppressed for hundreds of years and they still survived. He would like for everyone to live in peace. He ended off by saying this is about being human and civilized with each other.

Mohamed Ali -BICC 2370 Fairfield Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604 History of Palestine.

Mr. Ali came forward and read onto the record:

Here's a chronological list of the descendants of sam (Shem), the son of Noah, leading up to Ibrahim (Abraham), according to biblical accounts:

Sam (Shem) - Son of Noah. Arpachshad - Son of Shem. Shelah - Son of Arpachsh. Eber - Son of Shelah.

Peleg - Son of Eber. Reu - Son of Peleg. Serug - Son of Reu. Nahor - Son of Serug. Terah - Son of Nahor. Ibrahim (Abraham) - Son of Terah. Ibraham is the father of Ismail and Isaac: Ismail is the ancestor of the Arabs and Isaac is the Father of Jacob/ Israel the father of Jews. So, both the Arabs and the Jews are the descendants of Sam the son of Noah. So they are both Semites. Conclusion: The genocide that is committed now in Gaza by the IDF against Arab Palestinians is an antisemitic and Islamophobic act and is crime against humanity.

Mohamed Hamada 665 Boston Avenue Bridgeport, CT 066010 Partnerships between Bridgeport Organizations.

Mr. Hamada was called to the podium but was not in attendance for the public speaking session.

Aziz Seyal -BICC 703 State Street Bridgeport, CT 06604 Ceasefire Resolution.

Mr. Seyal came forward and read onto the record:

My name is Aziz Seyal. I am a Bridgeport taxpayer and Board member of BICC at 703 State Street. When God Almighty created human beings, He put a conscience in everyone, that works as a sensor, giving him a signal which tells him if his actions are good or bad. It does not matter what religion, race or color you are, your conscience will tell you what is right or wrong. Bridgeport Council members have done something great after listening to their conscience, after

listening to the voices of millions of people around the world, calling for a ceasefire in Gaza, where about 30,000 innocent children, women, and men have been killed. Now Rafah is under fierce attack, where Israel had forced them to go to take shelter, and now, are bombing them there too. Believe me, the world is watching. Thousands of people are on the streets of each major capital of the world demanding an immediate ceasefire. Here in the U.S, many congressmen who are not on the AIPAC payroll are demanding a ceasefire. Congressman of California, Ro Khanna, recently demanded an immediate ceasefire. He said that every hour more children and women are being killed, every hour more are suffering from hunger and disease. It should stop now. He warned Pres. Biden told Israel not to attack Rafah where over a million refugees are living in tents, but Biden did nothing. An American international relations scholar, John Mearsheimer, said that what Israelis are doing is far beyond going after Hamas and rather, are inflicting massive pain and punishment to the innocent civilian population that is unacceptable to decent people all over the world. Brazilian President Luiz da Silva compared Israel's war in Palestine to the Holocaust, saying Israel is committing "genocide" against Palestinian civilians and the only historical equivalent is "when Hitler decided to kill the Jews." "It's not a war of soldiers against soldiers. It's a war between a highly prepared army and women and children." I salute Bridgeport Council members for listening to their conscience and passing the Ceasefire Resolution approved unanimously by Muslims, Christians & Jews for peace in the world. I am surprised that some people just woke up and are asking the council to ignore the voice of their conscience, ignore the voice of millions of people around the world and only listen to those whose conscience has become dead, who enjoy watching killings of innocent children and are against a ceasefire. Imagine one day your city is under attack. You lose your one-yearold baby. You run to the next city to protect your other children, but bombs are chasing you and you lose two more children there. You run to the third city and bombs kill your whole family there. How will you feel if your neighbors celebrate this and demand "keep on bombing, keep on bombing, no ceasefire?" We should consider every child in the world like our own child! Believe me, our conscience is alive, and our will is strong. We will never give up. We will not let this group misguide these noble and brave members of the Bridgeport City Council who have made history in Connecticut by uniting the people of Bridgeport and passing the Ceasefire Resolution with the goal to save humanity.

Maria Pereira -80 Granfield Avenue, A1 Bridgeport, CT 06610 Ceasefire and Censure.

Ms. Pereira shared that in the 14 years of her being a public servant, she has never received so many emails regarding personal safety for joining a public speaking session due to having a contrary opinion. After reciting an oath under Connecticut general statute, she shared that all the council members who voted in favor for the resolution have violated their oath to the constitution and state of Connecticut. Lastly, she asked what the council was doing for the residents of Bridgeport.

President Nieves called Mr. Shaham from the floor sign-up sheet to speak since there was one absence.

Ceasefire Resolution.

Mohammad Shaham -866 Beechmont Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06606

Mr. Shaham greeted the council and thanked everyone who voted in favor of approving the ceasefire resolution. He wanted to explain why it was essentially the best trouble solver for both states. First, it would bring people home, death tolls would stop increasing, and it would stop the fight to talk. Bridgeport supporting the ceasefire has brought the most packed meeting at the chambers thus far. He shared that the Bridgeport Islamic Community Center feeds many people every Sunday. Imagine coming together between each religion and what they can do for the community.

President Nieves ended the public speaking session letting everyone know this chamber is for all the people and if anyone ever feels unsafe being there to reach out to the City Clerk's Office and they will have police officers be more alert than what they already are during the meetings. It has never been brought to her attention that someone has felt unsafe, she deeply apologized and thanked everyone for coming.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Nieves closed the public session at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vianca Rivera,

Telesco Secretarial Services.

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Mayor Ganim called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m.

PRAYER

Mayor Ganim asked councilmember McBride-Lee to lead them into prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ganim asked councilmember Newton to lead them in the pledge of allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilmember Melendez asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Joshua Bell, 41 years old who was recently murdered by three Bridgeport police officers.

Council President asked for a moment of silence for Ms. Beverly who unexpectedly passed away. She was an avid supporter of the social services department and very active in reaching out to the council and city.

Council Pro Tempore Newton added to keep Danny Roach in their prayers as he is not doing well.

ROLL CALL

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Mayor Proclamation: In recognition of Kavan Weise for his contributions to the Re-Entry Community in Honor of Black History Month.

Councilmember Herron asked Mr. Weise to make himself present with his family and recited the proclamation.

Councilmember Herron added she has known Mr. Weise forever, from when they were both working for the lighthouse program. Re-entry does work and she is proud to call him her friend.

Council Pro Tempore Newton mentioned he is proud of Mr. Weise, he watched him work on Stratford Avenue. He thanked him for his work.

Councilmember Hodges said he wanted to congratulate Mr. Weise for not only the work he has just begun but the work he has been doing. In regards to support and gun violence, he hopes to see the constituents attending for more reasons that affect the city; food and clothes drives are not enough.

Council president congratulated Mr. Weise and shared he has called in to sponsor high school sports which shows his dedication. She also knows his sister, their family has a drive between commitment and community.

Mayor Ganim recited the proclamation.

Mr. Weise thanked God for blessing him with spiritual guides from (inaudible), his mother and family for being there with him, the City of Bridgeport and Mayor Ganim. He added it is not easy waking up every day not having the answer but you have to show up for yourself. Always put your best foot forward, believe in yourself and do the work. He thanked Bridgeport and the home of second chances, they are just getting started.

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MAYOR GANIM OPENED A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ITEM 01-23 AT 7:39 PM

Council member Pereria approached the podium to share her opinions on the matter. Mayor Ganim said due to the rules of the council, under any capacities is council member Pereria eligible to speak on behalf of any matter.

MAYOR GANIM CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ITEM 01-23 AT 7:43 PM

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

• Approval of City Council Minutes: January 2, 2024

******COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOTIONED TO TABLE THE JANUARY 2, 2024 COUNCIL MINUTES TO ALLOW MORE TIME TO REVIEW DUE TO SCRIBAGE.

****SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.**

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******COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ MOTIONED TO CONSOLIDATE TO ONE VOTE ALL COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS TO ALL BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES, BOARDS. COMMISSIONS, ETC.

****SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRO TEMPORE NEWTON.**

****THE MOTION WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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****COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON (CONSENT CALENDAR).**

****SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ.**

****THE MOTIONED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 01-23. **SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRO TEMPORE NEWTON. **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councilmember Burns asked how the taxes would get worked out for this property, and would Bridgeport or Fairfield be collecting the taxes.

Attorney Anastasi asked what taxes he was referring to, personal or real estate taxes.

Councilmember Burns said yes to both taxes. Attorney Anastasi replied he is not sure about real estate property taxes as it will be considered the parks department property. If there would be any taxes, they would be paid to Fairfield since it is sited in Fairfield.

Councilmember Burns confirmed if they will only be getting the lease money since taxes will be paid out to Fairfield. Attorney Anastasi said they will be getting \$300,000 or \$350,000 dollars for this deal.

****THE MOTIONED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Creation of Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

****COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM AS THE FOLLOWING:**

CO-CHAIRS: JAZMARIE MELENDEZ & MATTHEW MCCARTHY.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: AIKEEM BOYD, MICHELLE LYONS, MARY MCBRIDE-LEE, RICHARD ORTIZ, AND AMYMARIE VIZZO PANICCIA.

**** COUNCILMEMBER LYONS REVOKED POSITION DUE TO CONFLICT.****

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****SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.**

****COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOTIONED TO AMEND REMOVING MATTHEW MCCARTHY FROM CO-CHAIR AND ASSIGNING MARY MCBRIDE-LEE.**

CO-CHAIRS: JAZMARIE MELENDEZ & MARY MCBRIDE-LEE.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: AIKEEM BOYD, MATTHEW MCCARTHY, RICHARD ORTIZ, JORGE CRUZ, AND AMYMARIE VIZZO-PANICCIA.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ AS AMENDED.

Councilmember Burns said due to this interfering with his work and personal life he won't be able to make any meetings so he cannot sit on the committee.

**MOTION WAS APPROVED WITH FIFTEEN (15) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, MACK, SPELL, BOYD, HERRON, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ORTIZ, HODGES, NIEVES, VALLE, MELENDEZ, MARTINEZ, AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).

ADJOURNMENT

******COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ MOTIONED TO ADJOURN. ******SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRO TEMPORE NEWTON.

****MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Vianca Rivera,

Telesco Secretarial Services.

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January 31, 2024

To Each City Council Member of the City of Bridgeport 45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06604

999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604-4328



Re: Notice of Intent to Settle: Pending Litigation in the Matter of State Farm Mutual Insurance Company a/s/o Alpa Mamidanna v. Roderick Doda and the City of Bridgeport; Docket No. FBT-CV24-6130747-S

Dear Honorable Council Members:

The Office of the City Attorney proposes to settle the above referenced litigation, which stems from an incident on June 29, 2023 as follows. It is our professional opinion that resolving this matter for the consideration agreed to between the parties is in the best interest of the City of Bridgeport.

Plaintiff State Farm Mutual Ins. Property Damage/

Nature of Claim Loss of Use/ Subrogation Claim

Settlement Plaintiff's Attorney \$14,500.00 Donald P. Cianci, Esq. Law Offices of Donald P. Cianci P.O. Box 210 Columbia, CT 06237

Pursuant to the City Council's Ordinance Section 2.10.130, this office hereby provides notice of its intent to settle this matter in accordance with the terms set forth in said Section 2.10.130.

If you wish to discuss the details of this case or have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Further, if I do not hear from you within the twenty (20) day time period provided by the Ordinance, I will proceed to finalize settlement of this matter.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, Lawrence A. Ouellette, Ju

Associate City Attorney

Lydia Martinez, City Clerk cc: Mark T. Anastasi, City Attorney Nanette Melendez, Paralegal

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City Clerk City of Bridgeport Attn: Frances Ortiz 45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06604

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Dear Ms. Ortiz,

Enclosed hereto please find a twenty-day notice of intent to settle letter for the above-referenced case, along with twenty-one copies. Upon receipt, kindly follow the steps below:

- Place one (1) copy of the Notice in each council member's mailbox in the City Clerk's Office and email each council members a copy of the notice. Once you have placed a copy in the mailbox and emailed it, please:
- Send an email to the Assigned Paralegal at the City Attorney's Office (who forwarded the letter), as a written record of delivery of same;
- If any council member request(s) that the settlement be submitted for City Council approval within the twenty-day period, the City Clerk's Office should promptly submit the communication to City Council, to be referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee and notify the City Attorney's office via email.
- At the expiration of the twenty (20) days, the Assigned Paralegal will contact the City Clerk to confirm whether anyone has requested that the settlement be submitted.

Thank you, Lawrence A. Ouellette, Jr. Associate City Attorney

cc: Mark T. Anastasi, City Attorney Nanette Melendez, Assigned Paralegal Telephone (203) 576-7647 Facsimile (203) 576-8252 Comm.# 44-23 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee on February 20, 2024

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February 13, 2024

The Honorable City Council City of Bridgeport 45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06604

Re: REFERRAL TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE: Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation in the Matter of Michael Lauro v. City of Bridgeport et al, Docket No: FBT-CV19-6091138-S

Dear Councilpersons:

Kindly place this matter on the agenda for the next City Council meeting for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee only. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

a. Submission Title: Request for Litigation Settlement Approval.

b. Submitting Entity: Office of the City Attorney.

c. Contact Person: Deputy City Attorney John P. Bohannon, contact information above.

d. Approval Deadline: Thirty (30) days from release to avoid statutory interest charges.

e. <u>Case Summary</u>: Plaintiff is a 53 year old male who was an employee of the City of Bridgeport, employed as a Maintainer IV and earned an average wage of \$54,725.00, for several years prior to the June 6, 2019 motor vehicle accident in which he was a passenger in, the vehicle was being driven by his co-worker, Renee Colon. There is no question that Mr. Lauro was in the course and scope of his employment at the time of the accident. Plaintiff was subsequently diagnosed as suffering a cervical injury that resulted in surgery within three months of the accident. Plaintiff was left with a 25% permanent partial disability to the cervical spine and an 8% permanent partial disability to the left knee.

In the present suit, the City of Bridgeport has intervened for recovery of its workers' compensation benefits. Through the end of 2023, medical benefits were paid in the amount of \$99,712.00 and indemnity of \$126,445.00, for a total of \$226,157.00 in benefits/lien. Because of plaintiff's confirmed disability and impairments, he was told that he could no longer work in the same position with the City. He has expressed a desire to go back to work but was not allowed to. The net present value of the pension and benefits lost due to Mr. Lauro having to prematurely leave his employment from the City is \$362,306.00. There is a claim for future loss earning capacity claim as well. If plaintiff is provided with a substitute position with the City of Bridgeport, the future wage claim and lost pension benefits claims would be satisfied. This settlement is a favorable one, as past economic damages alone were over \$300,000.00, with future losses of \$812,000.00 and noneconomic damages added, the value of the claim would be substantial.

f. <u>Council Action Requested</u>: Approval of proposed settlement in the total amount of \$280,000.00 to plaintiff; and employment by the City of Bridgeport of plaintiff as Class Title Public Works Foreman II, plaintiff's salary will be Step/Level 01 with annual salary of \$63,712.00.

g. Financial Impact Analysis: Total cost to the City of Bridgeport will be \$280,000.00.

h. <u>Funding Budget-Line</u>: The settlement payment will be made from the City Attorney Office Operating Budget Line-Item "*Personal Property Claims Atty.* #01-01-006-060-000-53010" and plaintiff's annual salary from Public Facilities payroll.

i. <u>Proposed Motion</u>: Motion to authorize and approve payment of \$280,000.00, and employment of plaintiff as Class Title Public Works Foreman II, plaintiff's salary will be Step/Level 01 with annual salary of \$63,712.00, in full and final settlement of *Matter of Michael Lauro v. City of Bridgeport, et al, Docket No. FBT-CV19-6091138-S.*

Very truly yours,

John P. Bohannon, Jr./cl

John P. Bohannon, Jr. Deputy City Attorney

cc: Lydia Martinez, City Clerk Tyisha S. Toms, City Attorney Carolina Lopez, Paralegal



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK RESOLUTION FORM

SECTION I	CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION INFORMATION
Log ID/Item Number:	45.22
Submitted by Councilmember(s):	45–23 Scott Burns
Co-Sponsors(s):	Choose an item.
District:	130TH
Subject:	Proposed City Council Rules Amendments
Referred to:	Miscellaneous Matters Committee
City Council Date:	February 20, 2024
SECTION II R	ESOLUTION (PLEASE TYPE BELOW)

WHEREAS, the City Council needs to amend its rules from time to time; and,

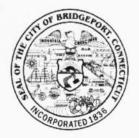
WHEREAS, certain City Council rules no longer apply, or underlying conditions no longer exist; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council needs to adjust to increased access through technology and interaction with the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the City Council adopts the amended rules as provided in this resolution.

(See Attached City Council Rules Amendments)

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK RESOLUTION FORM

	SEQUENT REFERRALS/REP			
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SECTION IX

COMMENTS (if any)

Ortiz, Frances

From:Burns, ScottSent:Wednesday, February 14, 2024 9:30 AMTo:Ortiz, Frances; Pettway, LonnetteCc:Boyer, Mike; Nieves, AideeSubject:Referral to MiscAttachments:City Council rules amendments resolution 02132024.docx; CC_CityCouncilRules2023
_Adopted_20231204 sb1.docx

Good morning -

Attached is a resolution for referral to Miscellaneous to update Council rules. The template is from last cycle, so no date is included.

Attached also is the Word version of the proposed changes, since it looks like the doc did not cut-and-paste very well.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks -Scott Burns City Council rep 130th District Co-chair Budget & Appropriations Committee member, ECD&E and Contracts Liaison to Bridgeport Chamber of Commerce 203-690-2228 Facebook 130 City Council Rules

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

RULES OF ORDER

NOTE:

Gender Neutral Terminology

Unless the context otherwise demands, words importing any gender shall be interpreted to mean any genders (i.e. use of the masculine gender shall include the feminine and/or gender neutral).

Rule I: Order and Appeal

The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum, may speak on questions of order in preference to other members, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Council by motion regularly seconded. No other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal shall have been decided.

Rule II: Order of Motions

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received by the presiding officer except:

Without < To fix the time of Adjournment.</pre>
Debate < <<<<< <pre>< To Adjourn.</pre>
< To Reconsider.</pre>
< To Lay on the Table.</pre>

< For the Previous Question.

To Postpone to a certain Time.

To Commit or Re-commit.

To Amend, or

To Postpone indefinitely (unamendable) which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged. The presiding officer shall declare all votes; if a vote be doubted, the presiding officer shall order arising vote without further debate.

Rule III: Limitation on Debate

A motion to fix the time in which to adjourn, or such a motion not being before the meeting, then one to adjourn shall always be in order. A motion to adjourn, to fix the time [in] at which to adjourn, to reconsider, to lay on the table and for the previous question shall be decided without debate and without amendment, except the motion to fix the time [in] at which to adjourn, which can be amended by altering the time.

The presiding officer (for both the full City Council and any committees) shall call the question for vote [on] <u>of his own volition or may accept a call for the question from any single member, provided the member is a member of the relevant committee.</u>

When a member is about to speak in debate, he shall respectfully address the presiding officer; shall maintain a courteous tone; shall confine himself to the question under debate and shall avoid personalities or imputing to any member improper motives.

Without permission of the chairperson, no member can speak more than two times, until all other members have had an opportunity to speak to the matter.

It shall be unnecessary for a member to rise from his seat either to be recognized or to speak. Debate must be confined to the merits of the pending question and speakers shall address their remarks to the chairperson.

Rule IV: Restrictions on Speaking

At City Council meetings only members of the City Council may speak on any matter before the Council unless by a majority vote of all the <u>present</u> members of the City Council, or at a duly scheduled Public Hearing.

At City Council committee meetings only members of the particular committee may first speak on any matter pending before the committee. Thereafter, any other Councilperson in attendance may speak as of right, subject to the debate limitations set forth in Rule III.

No other persons may speak at a committee meeting except at a duly scheduled Public Hearing or as permitted by a majority vote of all the members of the committee. However, City staff may speak as permitted by the Councilperson chairing the meeting when in the exercise of the chairperson's discretion it is deemed to be in the best interest of the committee to do so.

Rule V: The Previous Question

The previous question shall be in this form: "I move the previous question." It shall only be admitted when demanded by a majority of the members present, and until it is decided, shall preclude all amendments and debate of the main question, and after adoption of the previous question, the sense of the [Board] committee or Council shall forthwith be taken upon all pending amendments in their order and then upon the main question.

Rule VI: Amendments and Divisions

No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of an amendment. All questions shall be divided - when the sense of the body will admit of it - on demand of any member.

Rule VII: Endorsements and Presentation

All resolutions, ordinances or orders shall be endorsed with the name of the mover thereon, and shall be taken up in the order of their presentation, unless otherwise ordered by the [Board] <u>Council</u>, or unless the subsequent motion be previous in its nature; except that in naming sums and fixing times, the largest sums and the longest time shall be put first.

Rule VIII: Calls to Order

No member speaking shall be interrupted by another, except by a call to order or to correct a mistake. If any member, in speaking or otherwise transgress the rules of the [Board] <u>Council</u>, the presiding officer shall, and any member may, call to order, in which case the member so called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain. When there is an appeal to the [Board] <u>Council</u>, and a decision in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed, but not otherwise.

Rule IX: Motion to Reconsider

The mover of a question may withdraw his motion at any time before a decision or amendment, and when a motion has been carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority to move a reconsideration thereof at the same, or at a meeting next succeeding that at which the vote was passed; and such motion shall take precedence [of] <u>over</u> all other questions except a motion to fix the time [to] <u>at</u> which to adjourn, and to adjourn; but no question can be twice reconsidered, nor can a vote which has caused action that cannot be reversed or reconsidered. Upon passage of a motion to reconsider, the matter is back pending before the body for further action as appropriate.

Any referral of an item back to committee shall be made only by a member of the committee having previously acted in the majority in committee.

Rule X: All Must Vote

No member shall be excused from voting on any question unless he is personally interested in the result, except by unanimous consent. Councilmembers should familiarize themselves with the provisions of Bridgeport Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2.38 *Code of Ethics*. When a Councilmember abstains from voting, he shall state generally the nature of the conflict of interest justifying such abstention. No member shall be permitted, under any circumstances whatever, to vote after the decision is announced from the chair.

Rule XI: Motion in Writing

When a motion is made and seconded it shall be stated by the presiding officer, or being in writing shall be read aloud, before debated. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the presiding officer or any member desires it.

Rule XII: Council Committees

At the commencement of the City Council year, the following standing committees, each to consist of seven councilpersons, shall be appointed by the President of the City Council and ratified by the City Council. The President may remove and/or reassign to a different committee any Committee Member upon ratification by the City Council. The reason (including but not limited to a pattern of poor committee attendance) for the removal or reassignment shall be stated for the record by the President prior to the City Council vote to ratify the President's action to remove or reassign. The first two (2) Councilpersons named on each standing committee shall be Co-Chairpersons of said Committee.

The President of the City Council shall be an alternate for each member of each committee; but may only serve as an alternate for one committee member at each committee meeting in order to create quorum at the commencement of a committee meeting. When serving as an alternate for

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a committee Co-Chairperson, the Council President shall exercise all the powers and authority and perform all the duties of the Co-Chair for whom he is serving as alternate, including presiding over the committee meeting in the event both Co-Chairs are absent. In the event both Co-Chairs and the President all are absent from a committee meeting, but nonetheless there is a quorum of the committee present, those committee members in attendance shall elect (by majority vote) a temporary chairperson from amongst themselves to serve as presiding officer for the duration of the committee meeting.

Committee on Ordinances

Committee on Public Safety and Transportation

Committee on Contracts

Committee on Economic and Community Development and Environment

Committee on Miscellaneous Matters

Committee on Education and Social Services

Committee on Budget and Appropriations

Joint Committee

Rule XIII: Joint Committees

The Joint Committee becomes a single committee for the purposes of the item or items referred to it. The membership of the Joint Committee is [comprised] <u>composed</u> of the members of Committees it formed from, with any members serving on more than one of the committees from which the Joint Committee is formed, counting as a single member of the Joint Committee and having only a single vote on the Joint Committee. The Joint Committee shall be chaired by the Co-chairs of the committees from which it is formed, with the chairmanship being filled on a rotating basis, in an order agreed to by the co-chairs or by vote of the Joint Committee in the event the co-chairs cannot agree upon the matter. <u>Minutes of Joint Committees shall be moved at the succeeding meeting of the Joint Committee</u>.

Rule XIV: References to Committees

Unless acted upon by the consent of two-thirds of those present, the following references shall be made of all matters presented to the City Council, except as otherwise noted in the case of the Committee on Public Safety and Transportation:

1. All bills for material or labor furnished to the City, and all matters of finance, excepting as herein otherwise referred, shall be referred to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations.

2. The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) shall submit with all requests for budget transfers between line items, all supporting documentation, including but not limited to, a written justification for said transfers and any contracts or agreements funded by said transfers. *(Section renumbered from No. 13 to No. 2.)*

3. All resolutions or petitions concerning streets, <u>lights</u>, <u>parking</u>, sidewalks, sewers, bridges, the airport or matters relating to the transportation infrastructure of the City shall be referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Transportation.

4. All resolutions or petitions asking for tax refunds or other moneys or for monetary damages for injuries sustained through the negligence of the City, or because of any statutory claim for money against the City shall be referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Matters[; except for the purposes of deferred or tax abatements only, such matters shall be referred to joint committee of Miscellaneous Matters and Budget].

5. All resolutions or petitions relating to contracts to be entered into which require City Council approval[,] shall be referred to the Committee on Contracts.

6. All resolutions or petitions relating to printing of City Council proceedings, the celebration of holidays, Rules of Order of the City Council, appointments to any Boards or Commissions requiring City Council approval, except Police and Fire Commissioners or any other matter for the reference of which no other provision is herein made, shall be referred to the Committee on Miscellaneous Matters.

7. All resolutions or petitions relating to the adoption or amending of any ordinance or any matter relating to general government of the City, excepting as herein otherwise provided, shall be referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

8. All resolutions or petitions relating to education <u>and social services</u> shall be referred to the Committee on Education and Social Services.

9. All resolutions or petitions relating to external and internal conditions affecting the health and [welfare]well-being of the [citizens] residents of Bridgeport, [and] the impact on the environment, past, current or proposed [by pollutants or ecological poisons by any source], matters involving the generation, transmission or storage of energy or related grants and other funds or gifts from public and private agencies, including the State and Federal governments [or the ecological balance of nature] shall be referred to the Committee on Economic and Community Development and Environment.

10. All resolutions or petitions relating to matters involving economic development and community development shall be referred to the Committee on Economic and Community Development and Environment (ECD&E). In the event a matter involves a proposed third-party contract, then it shall be referred to joint committee [comprised] <u>composed</u> of the members of the Committee on ECD&E and the Committee on Contracts.

11. The Committee on Public Safety and Transportation ("the Committee") and shall have sole or shared jurisdiction over all matters relating to the Police Department, the Fire Department and Emergency Management as follows:

- A. The requested budgets of the Police and Fire Departments shall be reviewed by the Committee and the Committee will report its recommendations prior to the final vote by [to] the Committee on Budget and Appropriations during the annual budget cycle.
- B. All ordinances relating to public safety shall be reviewed by the Committee and the Committee will report its recommendations prior to final committee action by [to] the

Committee on Ordinances.

- C. All Appointments to the Police and Fire Commissions shall be the jurisdiction of the Committee.
- D. The Committee shall review and recommend upon Police and Fire Department capacity issues as they relate to economic and community development issues and projects.
- E. All Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) proposals [(i.e., Phoenix Project)] shall be handled by the Committee.
- F. The Committee shall require the submission of an annual Emergency Management Plan by the Emergency Management and Emergency Communications Office in the month of September and recommend modifications or acceptance by the Administration.
- G. The Committee shall request annual reports on the state of public safety from the Police Chief and Fire Chief to be submitted to the committee during the month of April.
- H. The Committee shall review the certification of all special police officers for all municipal and quasi-municipal departments and agencies including the Board of Education, the Bridgeport Housing Authority, and the Bridgeport Transportation Center.
- I. All grant applications regarding public safety shall be within the jurisdiction of the Committee.
- J. The Committee shall review street lighting as it relates to crime prevention while being cognizant of the costs incurred by the City and impacts on quality of life for residents.
- K. The Committee shall encourage and facilitate the efforts of the Bridgeport Police Department with any and all community policing initiatives.
- L. [The Committee shall establish and recommend a Public Safety Officer of the Year program with various categories in order to give recognition for outstanding service and to improve morale within the uniformed departments.]

12. The City Clerk shall report to the City Council at the first meeting in October in each year, the substance of all resolutions, petitions or other matters then pending before the various committees. In odd years, such matters shall be reported as pending sine die.

13. Any communication, petition, report or resolution for presentation at a meeting of the City Council shall be filed at the Office of the City Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the Council meeting. When a legal holiday occurs on the Wednesday or Thursday prior to a City Council meeting, any communication, petition, report, or resolution for presentation at said meeting shall be filed at the Office of the City Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding the holiday.

14. The Office of Policy and Management (OPM) shall submit with all requests for budget transfers between line items, all supporting documentation, including but not limited to, a written justification for said transfers and any contracts or agreements funded by said transfers.

15. In addition, each committee is hereby expressly authorized (without requirement of any prior referral of business via specific resolution or petition from the full City Council) to conduct

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information meetings to collect (via documentation[)], testimony, or otherwise) data concerning, and to discuss, such general substantive areas of legislative business for which they have been assigned jurisdiction herein. By way of example, the Committee on Contracts is authorized and empowered with respect to expiring City labor agreements to consult with the City's Director of Labor Relations and/or his designee(s) prior to the City entering into negotiations for successor agreements with the various unions representing City employees, for purposes of discussing employment related matters of concern to the City Council that are subject to collective bargaining. The Labor Relations Director shall notify the co-chairpersons of the Committee on Contracts not less than one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the expiration of any City collective bargaining agreements.

16. All references to any committee by any City agency, board, commission and/or employee must include an executive summary or transmittal letter that sets forth the following data if and as applicable: (a) title of submission, (b) submitting entity, (c) contact person and information,

(d) deadline for approval and basis for same, (e) substantive summary of matter, (f) city council action requested, (g) financial impact analysis – to include best reasonable estimates as to all expenditure and revenue effects of the reference if approved as requested, (h) departmental budget line-item to which direct expenditures (including grant matching funds) are anticipated to be charged and (i) draft proposed motion(s) for city council adoption. Copies of all executive summaries shall be distributed to each councilperson electronically and by hardcopy when the matter is referred by the full city council to committee for review.

Rule XV: Duties of Committees

It shall be the duty of each Committee, Board or City Officer to whom may be referred any petition, matter or thing with instruction to report, to present their report thereon within sixty (60) days after such reference, or sooner if specially directed, or ask for further time. If the report has not been forthcoming within ninety (90) days, four (4) members of the Committee in question may submit a written petition to the Council President to call a Special Committee Meeting. If the Petition is accepted, the Council President shall establish the date, time and location of the meeting for Committee membership and public notification.

Rule XVI: Committee Reports

Rule XVII: Committee Purchases

No committee shall enter into any contract with any of its members, nor purchase nor authorize the purchase of any articles [of] for or from any such member.

Rule XVII. Committee Clerks

The Clerk of the Board to which any petition, order or resolution shall be first presented, shall endorse thereon a statement of the contents or object of such petition, order or resolution, and action taken thereon, together with the date thereof.]

Rule XVIII: Special Committee Appointments

All Special Committees (except as otherwise provided for) shall be appointed by the President of the City Council and ratified by the City Council; said appointment to be announced during a session of the Council. The first two (2) Councilpersons named on each special committee shall be co-chairpersons of said committee. The President of the City Council shall be an alternate for each member of each special committee, but may only serve as an alternate for one committee member at each committee meeting in order to form quorum. When serving as an alternate for a committee Co-Chairperson, the Council President shall exercise all the powers and authority and perform all the duties of the Co-Chair for whom he is serving as alternate, including presiding over the committee meeting in the event both Co-Chairs are absent. In the event both Co-Chairs and the President all are absent from a <u>special</u> committee meeting, but nonetheless there is a quorum of the Committee present, those committee members in attendance shall elect (by majority vote) a temporary chairperson from amongst themselves to serve as presiding officer for the duration of the committee meeting.

Rule XIX: Minority Reports

Whenever a minority report is submitted by any committee of the City Council the same shall be acted upon by this body, pursuant to Robert's Rules of Order. A majority vote is required to receive a minority report; the question is undebatable. When the minority report is presented it is for information, and it cannot be acted upon except by a motion to substitute it for the report of the committee. Whether the views of the minority are formally presented or not, however, any member can move that resolutions proposed by the committee be amended or that some other appropriate action be taken.

Rule XX: Order of Business

- 1. Minutes of Previous Meeting.
- 2. Mayor's Message Veto.
- 3. Rules.
- 4. Public Hearings.
- 5. Election of Officers.
- 6. Bills and Communications.
- 7. Reading of Petitions.
- 8. Reading of Reports:

Board of Police Commissioners.

Board of Fire Commissioners.

Board of Park Commissioners.

[Board of Appraisal of Benefits and Damages.]

City Council Rules

Committee on Budget and Appropriations. Committee on Ordinances. Committee on Public Safety and Transportation. Committee on Economic and Community Development and Environment. Committee on Miscellaneous Matters (Public Affairs, Appointments and Claims). Committee on Contracts. Committee on Education and Social Services. Special Committees. City Attorney. Comptroller/Finance Director. Public Facilities Director. City Engineer. Miscellaneous Reports.

9. Unfinished Business.

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All matters previously tabled by the Council which the council has expressly stated should not be referred to committee.

10. Orders and Resolutions.

This order of proceeding shall be adhered to as a rule except in the case of special assignments which shall be heard at the time assigned.

Rule XXI: Robert's Rules of Order

All differences of opinion in regard to points of order or modes of proceeding not herein otherwise provided for, shall be governed by Parliamentary practice as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

Rule XXII: Change of Rules

Any of the foregoing rules may be repealed or amended or new ones added, by a majority vote of all the members of the City Council, provided descriptive notice of so doing has been given in writing at the last preceding meeting.

Rule XXIII: Suspension of Rules

These rules shall not be suspended at any City Council meeting, except upon a majority vote of those present and voting; and the motion to do so shall state just what rule it is proposed to suspend and for what purpose, and shall be decided without debate or amendment.

Rule XXIV: Immediate Consideration

For items presented for immediate consideration, the presenter shall note in written form to which committee the matter will be referred. If no committee is noted and immediate full Council action is desired, the presenter shall provide written documentation as to the need for such action.

Rule XXIV: Interview of Prospective Appointees

A. Each committee, before taking any action shall interview, in person, any prospective appointee to any board or commission, or any department head seeking creation of any new position or increase in salary <u>beyond contractually bound</u> for any position.

B. All reappointments to any Board or Commission, which are submitted to the Committee on Miscellaneous Matters, shall not have to be interviewed a second time during the confirmation process. An exception to this rule will be when a minimum of five (5) City Council Members request an interview to be done with candidates prior to reappointment at a committee meeting. All prior attendance records, background and ethics checks for the previous term shall be submitted to the Committee prior to the reappointment at a committee meeting.

Rule XXV: Public Speaking Forum

There shall be a public speaking forum before the City Council on each night that the City Council meets in regular session commencing one-half hour prior to the scheduled commencement of the Council meeting. The right to address the City Council shall be granted to a maximum of ten (10) speakers. Each speaker shall be a Bridgeport resident or taxpayer of the city or a duly authorized representative of a city-based organization or company speaking on behalf of such organization or company. <u>Public speaking is an opportunity for Council members to hear their constituents, but not to engage in dialogue in this setting.</u>

Any such person desiring to address the City Council at such forum shall be permitted three (3) minutes to speak. In order to be eligible to speak, one must either: (a) [contact] register with the City Council, through the City Clerk's Office no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the City Council meeting either in-person or electronically or (b) sign up on the day of the meeting at the City Council chambers prior to the 6:30 p.m. start of the public speaking forum. Such requests shall be honored on a first come, first served, basis. When signing up to speak, persons shall identify the subject upon which they will be speaking; with subject matters on that meeting's City Council agenda preferred.

While Council members continue to comprise part of the public, they are discouraged from using up public speaking slots, in light of their opportunity to speak to public matters in carrying out their office.

The minutes of said forum shall be recorded by the Council stenographer and attendance of the Councilpersons at said forum shall be taken prior to the convening of said forum.

In addressing the City Council, speakers shall: confine their address to their listed topic or subject matter; <u>shall address the Council and not the public</u>; refrain from personal character or political attacks on Councilpersons or other persons; be courteous and not use unbecoming, abusive, inflammatory, defamatory or unparliamentary language; and shall avoid personalities. Any speaker who violates these rules of decorum may have his opportunity to address the City Council at this and future meetings suspended or revoked by the Council President. <u>No speaker shall defer his/her time or place to another, excepting that a person may serve to translate the speaker's words.</u>

Rule XXVI: Public Speaking in Committee

Up to five members of the public, consistent with the rules defining qualifications in in Rule XXV, may address committees prior to the regular order of committee business. Such speakers will have three minutes to speak and must confine their comments to agenda items.

Members of the public may sign up to speak through the City Clerk's office up to five business days (in-person or electronically) before the next relevant committee meeting. Should

no more than five speakers sign up, then speakers may petition the chair of the committee to fill one of the remaining slots.

Rule XXVII: Conduct in City Council

In speaking, City Council members shall refrain from mentioning any other member by name, shall confine themselves to the question, shall be courteous and not use unbecoming, abusive, or unparliamentary language, and shall avoid personalities.

Any member who, in debate or otherwise, indulges in personalities or makes charges reflecting upon the character of another member, shall make an apology in open session at the meeting at which offense is committed, or at the next succeeding regular meeting, and, failing to do so, shall be named by the President or held in contempt, and suspended from further participation in debate until said apology is made.

Rule XXVIII: Council President's Term

Beginning at the first Council Meeting in December 1993 the term of the Council President shall be two (2) years. The Mayor cannot break a tie in the event of a Council tie for the election of Council President.

Rule XXIX: Salaries of Elected Officials

The City Council must review the salaries of elected officials in even numbered years and report the same through the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Rule XXX: Consent Calendar

There shall be a consent calendar consisting of such items that have been unanimously approved out of committee. Those items shall be placed on a list to be voted on together as one vote. Any item can be removed from said calendar by a simple request from any council member.

The items remaining on the consent calendar will be read into the record by the City Clerk and voted upon as one consolidated item. The removed items will be presented by the respective committee chairpersons, discussed, and voted on individually.

Rule XXXI: Sale of [Surplus] City Property

Whenever City Council permission is sought for authority to dispose of [surplus] municipal real property, the submission to the City Council shall include either:

- A. An AIA (American Institute of Architects) appraisal of FMV (fair market value) or
- B. A Report from the City Tax Assessor setting forth the then current assessed value for taxation purpose.

No approval of such proposed sale shall occur absent such required valuation data, <u>which</u> <u>shall be dated no more than six months before Council action</u>, except upon two-thirds vote of the entire City Council.

Rule XXXII: Withdrawal of Matters

Once a matter has been submitted to the City Council, including those referred to a committee for report, any request to withdraw must be made in writing by the submitting party; and the withdrawal of such pending City Council matter is subject to approval by the City Council.

Rule XXXIII: Biennial Annual Review of Rules of Order

In December of each even-numbered year, the President shall appoint a Special Committee on Rules, [comprised] <u>composed</u> of seven (7) Councilpersons. The committee shall review the current set of rules and recommend to the full City Council any proposed amendments thereto for adoption.

Rule XXXIV: Rules Subordinate to City Charter and Code of Ordinances

In the event that any of these Rules of Order conflict with the provisions of the Bridgeport City Charter (in particular Chapter 5) or Code of Ordinances, the terms of the Charter or Code shall prevail.



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK RESOLUTION FORM

SECTION I	CITY COUNCIL SUBMI	SSION INFORMATION	-	- HO
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Submitted by Councilmember(s):	Scott Burns		CLERK	AH 3:
Co-Sponsors(s):	Choose an item.			3: 38
District:	130TH			
Subject:	Proposed Resolution Calling f Immediate De-escalation and F Based Upon Violations of App Principles of Parliamentary La	Permanent Ceasefire in Israe licable Procedural Rules and	l, Gaza	, and the West Bank)
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WHEREAS, "motions that conflict with...bylaws of a society or with procedural rules prescribed by national, state, or local laws, are out of order, and if any motion of this kind is adopted, it is null and void" (Roberts Rules, 11th edition, 10.39 (pg. 343); and,

WHEREAS, Item No. 20-23, a resolution dealing with an international matter, does not fall under the purview of the Bridgeport City Council, whose responsibilities are outlined in its governing documents, and City Council members were reminded of this by City Attorney Anastasi; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the City Council are elected to their positions to address matters strictly related to the well-being of the city of Bridgeport based upon their expertise in these areas and do not necessarily have the expertise to address international issues and politics; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the City Council recognize the tragedies occurring in the Middle East, part of the long term conflicts among the peoples, religions, and ethnicities of the region; and,

WHEREAS, City Council members represent a diverse constituency with differing international concerns and the Council would therefore need to address a multitude international issues brought to the body that affect Bridgeport residents; and,

WHEREAS, City Council members retain the right to express their opinions as individual council members should they feel so moved to address matters related to their constituents and international matters; and

WHEREAS, spending significant time on this issue took away from the time that could have been spent by Council members addressing the many pressing Bridgeport issues; and,

WHEREAS, the language of the resolution served to divide, rather than unite, the community; and,

WHEREAS, a balance of information was not presented at the three consecutive City Council meetings during which the resolution was discussed and one side of the issue was heard exclusively that was often inflammatory, derogatory and frequently antisemitic and other parliamentary procedures were not followed; and,



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WHEREAS, elected representatives of the City Council are required to act in an ethical and objective manner, demonstrate comportment, and do not have the latitude to ignore the due process that is stated in their governing documents; and,

WHEREAS, some members of the Council, the administration, and the public belatedly on the evening of the proposed vote attempted to amend the resolution in a situation not conducive to fair, balanced and thoughtful deliberation, resulting in virtually no opportunity for the voting body to consider the changes; and,

WHEREAS, the last-minute amendments produced a resolution not acceptable to all present and voting members;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council acknowledge that Resolution 20-23 is hereby rescinded; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council shall refrain from engaging in international matters that are beyond the purpose of the Council; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council encourages in the near term that that the multiple faiths of the City come together to discuss matters in a public and civil manner to promote the public good; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council mitigate the damage inflicted by the resolution by conveying the information that the resolution is rescinded to any entities where the resolution has been sent, including, but not limited to the Bridgeport delegation to the Connecticut state legislature, the United States Congressional delegations from Connecticut, Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont, and President of the United States Joseph Biden.



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SECTION IX

COMMENTS (if any)

Approved by; Attest: Support Services Division - Youth Violence Prevention Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Court Initiative (#24399). Date Signed: City Council Meeting Date: February 20, 2024 Public Safety and Transportation Item# *02-23 Consent Calendar hydia n. Marting Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk Jose Committee Report P On of ayor

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

The Committee on <u>Public Safety and Transportation</u> begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. *02-23 Consent Calendar

A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council Regarding the State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (# 24399)

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the Special Act 21-15 which allocates funds to the Youth Violence Prevention Initiative to support youth violence prevention programs in Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, and Waterbury; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to support programs that provide services to youth within the City to reduce risk factors in communities with high levels of criminal activity, decrease the likelihood that youth who are exposed to risk factors will become involved in these activities, and provide intervention services; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport Police Department submits an application to the State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division to support youth violence prevention programs

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with the State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division for the purpose of its Youth Violence Prevention Initiative; and
- 2. That it hereby authorizes, directs, and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to accept any funds that result from the City's application to the State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division- Youth Violence Prevention Initiative and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.



Item No. *02-23 Consent Calendar

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE COMMITTEE ON **PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION**

Michelle A Lyons Absen & Michelle A. Lyons, Co Chair

Rolanda Smith, Co-Chair

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City Council Date: February 20, 2024



GRANT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLE: State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division- Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (#24399)

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING INFORMATION: Central Grants Office

CONTACT NAME: Angelica Ojeda

PHONE NUMBER: 203-332-5665

PROJECT SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION: The City of Bridgeport Police Department has been allocated funding through Special Act 21-15 to support youth violence prevention programs. Programs funded will provide a variety of services to reduce risk factors in communities with high levels of criminal activity, decrease the likelihood that youth who are exposed to risk factors will become involved in these activities, and provide intervention services.

ONTRACT PERIOD: 7/1/2023-6/30/2025

FUNDIN	G SOURCES (include matching funds):	
Federal:	\$0	
State:	\$ 775,500.00	
City:	\$	
Other:	\$0	

GRANT FUNDED PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED		
Salaries/Benefits:	\$	
Supplies:	\$	
Contractual:	\$	
Other:	\$	

MATCH REQUIRED N/A			
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Source:			
Salaries/Benefits:	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Supplies:	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Contractual:	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Other:	\$ 0	\$ 0	

City Council Meeting Date: <u>February 20, 2024</u> Multicon M. Martinez, 2024 Attest: Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk Maproved by: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor Date Signed:	Here A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	Item# *16-23 Consent Calendar Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (FY24-FY28) Speed and Aggressive Driving Enforcement (#24323 - #28323). Click it or Ticket Enforcement (#24326 – 28326). Distracted Driving – High Visibility Enforcement (#24327 - #28327)
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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

The Committee on <u>Public Safety and Transportation</u> begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. *16-23 Consent Calendar

A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council Regarding the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Speed and Aggressive Driving Enforcement (#24323 - #28323) Click it or Ticket Enforcement (#24326 - #28326) Distracted Driving- High Visibility Enforcement (#24327 - #28327)

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, funds under these grants will be used to cover overtime costs of personnel during traffic enforcement details; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submit applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation to demonstrate a commitment to safer driving habits.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant applications to and contract with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation for the purpose of; Speed and Aggressive Driving Enforcement; Click it or Ticket Enforcement; Distracted Driving- High Visibility Enforcement and
- 2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, to accept any funds that result from the City's application to the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.



Item No. *16-23 Consent Calendar

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE COMMITTEE ON **PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION**

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Michelle A. Lyons Michelle A. Lyons, Co-Chair

Rolanda Smith, Co-Chair

Jorge Cruz, Sr.

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City Council Date: February 20, 2024



GRANT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLES: State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Speed and Aggressive Driving Enforcement (#24323 - #28323) Click it or Ticket Enforcement (#24326 - #28326) Distracted Driving- High Visibility Enforcement (#24327 - #28327)

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING INFORMATION: Central Grants Office

CONTACT NAME:	Angelica Ojeda
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PHONE NUMBER: 203-332-5665

PROJECT SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION: The City of Bridgeport Police Department is seeking funds available annually through formula grants for reimbursement of safe driving enforcement. The funds will be used to cover the overtime for the traffic detail during specific times of the year as dictated by the funder and pre-determined locations based on high traffic volume. This resolution is being requested to cover a 5-year period due to the purpose and allocation remaining relatively the same from year to year. In addition, the timeframe for the submission of application to project completion is typically shorter than the Council Resolution timeframe.

CONTRACT PERIOD: FY24-FY28

FUNDIN	G SOURCES (include matching funds):
Federal:	S
State:	\$
City:	\$
Other:	\$

GRANT FUNDE	D PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED
Salaries/Benefits:	\$
Supplies:	\$
Construction:	\$
Other:	\$

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Source: N/A			
Salaries/Benefits:	\$	\$	
Supplies:	\$	\$	
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City Council Meeting Date: <u>February 20, 2024</u> Mychin M. Martinez Attest: Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk Approved by: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor Date Signed:	Acport of Omnittee On Public Safety and Transportation	Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management – FY24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (#24604).	Item# *17-23 Consent Calendar
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Please Note: Mayor did not sign report

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

The Committee on <u>Public Safety and Transportation</u> begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. *17-23 Consent Calendar

A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council Regarding the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- FY 24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (#24604)

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant; and

WHEREAS, the JAG funding is a statutory formula allocation based on crime and population for the purpose of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system, with emphasis on violent crime and serious offenders, which may include the purchase of equipment, training, and information systems; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to support and improve law enforcement response; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submit an application to the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management to acquire much needed equipment that will support the department's operations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management for the purpose of its FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant; and
- 2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, to accept any funds that result from the City's application to the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.



Item No. *17-23 Consent Calendar

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION

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City Council Date: February 20, 2024



GRANT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLE: State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- FY 24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (#24604)

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING INFORMATION: Central Grants Office

CONTACT NAME:	Angelica (Dieda
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PHONE NUMBER: 203-332-5665

PROJECT SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION: The City of Bridgeport Police Department is eligible to seek funding from the JAG grant program for the purpose of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system, with emphasis on violent crime and serious offenders. JAG funding is a statutory formula allocation based on violent crime data and population.

Funding will be utilized for the overtime costs of officers working in the Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force. Officers will work collectively to prevent, and/or dismantle/disrupt acts of violence by concentrating efforts on recovering stolen vehicles before they can be utilized in commission of violent crimes, and apprehending violators by way of investigative efforts by local partners.

CONTRACT PERIOD: 12/1/23 - 2/9/24

FUNDIN	G SOURCES (include matching funds):
Federal:	\$0
State:	\$ 110,013.11
City:	\$ 0
Other:	\$0

GRANT FUNDED PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED			
Equipment:	\$0		
Other:	\$0		

MATCH REQUIRED			
	CASH	IN-KIND	
Source: N/A			
Equipment:	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Other:	\$ 0	\$ 0	

Attest: Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk Approved by: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor Date Signed:	City Council Meeting Date: February 5, 2024 Tabled by Full Council: February 5, 2024 Resubmitted on: February 20, 2024	Committee on Contracts	of	Jtem # 01-23 Lease Agreement with Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut regarding Vacant Land at the Fairchild- Wheeler Golf Course for the purpose of Installing a Water Pump Station along with any related Infrastructure or Appurtenances to the Facility.
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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

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

Item No. 01-23

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut has requested to lease property controlled by the Board of Parks Commissioners to install a water pump station;

WHEREAS, various employees of the Public Facilities Department and the City Engineer have reviewed the area to be leased to Aquarion;

WHEREAS, the attached Lease Agreement sets forth the rights being granted to Aquarion and the various protections being granted to the City in terms of obligations to restore, indemnification and insurance;

WHEREAS, an appraisal was prepared to determine the disruption to the golf course that will occur by granting the lease in order to determine the fee to be charged to Aquarion for the right to lease the property;

WHEREAS, at its meeting on September 19, 2023, the Board of Parks Commissioners approved the use of Parks property as proposed by Aquarion;

WHEREAS, at its meeting on October 11, 2023, the Planning and Zoning Commission approved a favorable recommendation to the City Council regarding the 8-24 referral made regarding the proposed use of Parks property as proposed by Aquarion; and

WHEREAS, the Lease Agreement is believed to be in the best interests of the City of Bridgeport.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT THAT:

The Lease Agreement is hereby approved and the Mayor or the Director of Public Facilities are each authorized to execute the Lease Agreement and to execute all other documents and take all other necessary action in Connecticut therewith consistent with this resolution and in the best interest of the citizens of Bridgeport.



Report of Committee on Contracts Item No. 01-23

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THE COMMITTEE ON CONTRACTS

eanette Herron, D-133rd, Co-chair

atthew McCarthy, D-130th

Richard Ortiz, D-135th

Maria H. Pereira, D-138th, Co-chair

Jorge Cruz, Sr., D-131st

Dasha T. Spell, D-132nd

Scott Burns, D-130th

City Council Date: February 5, 2024, Tabled by Full Council Resubmitted on: February 20, 2024

<u>Return To:</u> Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut Real Estate Department 600 Lindley Street Bridgeport, CT 06606

LEASE AGREEMENT 2390 EASTON TURNPIKE FAIRFIELD, CONNECTICUT

CITY CLERK

THIS LEASE AGREEMENT (hereinafter the "Lease") is made this _____ day of ______2024, by the CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, a Connecticut municipality, having an address of 999 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604 ("Lessor"), and AQUARION WATER COMPANY OF CONNECTICUT, a Connecticut corporation, having an office and place of business located at 600 Lindley Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604 ("Lessee").

$\underline{W} \underline{I} \underline{T} \underline{N} \underline{E} \underline{S} \underline{S} \underline{E} \underline{T} \underline{H}$:

WHEREAS, Lessor is the owner of all that certain piece or parcel of land located at 2390 Easton Turnpike, in the Town of Fairfield, County of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut, also known as Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Lessor and Lessee desire to enter into an agreement for the use of a portion of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of all the foregoing, and in further consideration of the obligations, terms and conditions hereinafter set forth and recited, Lessor hereby agrees to lease to Lessee a portion of the Property as follows:

1. **LOCATION:** A portion of that certain piece or parcel of land, situated on Easton Turnpike, in the Town of Fairfield, County of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut, which is more particularly described as "[Map Label]," on that certain drawing entitled, "[Map Name]", prepared by Tata & Howard, a copy of which drawing is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (hereinafter the "Premises" or "Leased Premises"). It is expressly understood that all rights granted to Lessee under this Lease are irrevocable until this Lease expires or is sooner terminated according to the provisions contained herein.

2. <u>USE</u>:

(a) The Leased Premises is to be used by Lessee solely for the installation, operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement, at Lessee's expense, of a water pump station, and any related infrastructure or appurtenances thereto.

(b) All property or improvements attached to or otherwise brought onto the Leased Premises by Lessee shall at all times and for all purposes related to this Lease be Lessee's personal property and, at Lessee's option, may be removed by Lessee at any time during the term of this Lease. Any damage caused to the Leased Premises by Lessee as a result of the removal by Lessee of its personal property shall be repaired by Lessee, at Lessee's sole cost and expense. At the end of the Term, as hereinafter defined, Lessee shall remove all improvements made to the Leased Premises and shall restore the Leased Premises to the condition as it exists on the date of execution of this Lease. (c) Lessee, at its expense and with Lessor's reasonable cooperation, shall obtain all necessary governmental permits, approvals, and certificates required for work on the Leased Premises and shall cause all such work to be made in compliance with all applicable laws and requirements of governmental authorities and insurance bodies having jurisdiction thereof, in a good and workmanlike manner; and if Lessor so requests, Lessee shall deliver to Lessor evidence, reasonably satisfactory to Lessor, of any and all governmental consents or approvals and/or compliance with governmental requirements relating to any work on the Leased Premises.

(d) Lessee, at its expense and as soon as reasonably practicable, shall procure the cancellation or discharge of all notices of violation arising from or in any way relating to the work on the Leased Premises, which shall be issued by any governmental or quasi-governmental authority having or asserting jurisdiction.

(e) Lessor shall reasonably cooperate with Lessee and join in any applications for zoning variances and zoning ordinance amendments and special use permits for its use of the Leased Premises, provided that Lessee shall reimburse and hold Lessor harmless for reasonable costs or fees actually incurred and payable by Lessor in connection with such applications and approvals.

3. <u>TERM</u>: The initial term of this Lease shall be sixty (60) years, commencing on and from the first day of the month following the month in which this Lease is fully executed by the parties (the "Commencement Date"). The initial term of this Lease shall end on the day before the sixtieth (60th) anniversary of the Commencement Date. As used herein, "term" refers to the initial term and any renewal term as herein provided (the "Term").

4. <u>LEASE RENEWAL</u>: Provided Lessee is not then in default of any of the terms and conditions of this Lease, the Lessee shall have three (3) options to extend the Term for additional twenty (20) year periods, each twenty (20) year period a "Renewal Term," for such Rent as the parties shall at that time negotiate. Should Lessee desire to exercise such option, Lessee shall provide written notice to Lessor of its intention to renew the Lease at least One hundred eighty (180) days prior to the expiration of the then current term, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE. At the end of the third (3rd) Renewal Term, this Lease shall automatically terminate unless renewed for an additional term or terms by the parties upon terms and conditions acceptable to each.

5. <u>**RENT</u>**. Lessee shall pay to Lessor, as rent for the demised Leased Premises, the sum of Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$300,000.00) for the entire Initial Term. Rent for the Renewal Terms shall be in an amount to be agreed upon by the parties. In addition, Lessee shall be responsible for the payment of all real estate taxes, personal property taxes and assessments applicable to the Leased Premises ("Taxes"). All payments for Taxes shall be made directly to the appropriate municipal agency. Unless and until directed to pay and address to a different entity, all Rent due from Lessee under this Lease shall be made payable to City of Bridgeport, or its successor or assigns, and mailed to:</u>

City of Bridgeport Attn: Finance Department 45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06604 6. <u>LESSEE'S RIGHT TO TERMINATE</u>: After the Commencement Date, during the Initial Term and any Renewal Term, should the Lessee cease to use the water pump station to be located on the Leased Premises, Lessee shall have the right to terminate this Lease by delivering written notice, in accordance with Paragraph 16 hereof, to Lessor sixty (60) days in advance of said termination.

7. **INSURANCE**:

(a) Lessee shall, at its own expense, procure, carry, and maintain for the duration of this Lease the following insurance: (i) "All Risk" property insurance that insures Lessee's personal property for its full replacement cost; (ii) commercial general liability insurance having a limit for bodily injury and property damage of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence; (iii) Workers' Compensation in accordance with statutory requirements; (iv) Employer's Liability Insurance with a limit of \$1,000,000.00 shall provide for payment to Lessee's employees employed in connection with this Lease; and (v) Automobile Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Insurance having a combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00.

(b) All insurance required to be maintained by Lessee shall be issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Connecticut and rated not less than A+ in Best's Insurance Guide. A certificate of insurance evidencing the insurance required under this Section shall be delivered to Lessor (10) days prior to the Commencement Date, or Lessees' access to the Premises, whichever is earlier. Every policy of insurance referred to in this Lease and each certificate therefore issued by the insurer shall (a) contain an express agreement by the insurer that no cancellation or nonrenewal in the coverage afforded under said policies will be effective until at least (to the extent same may be obtained by the insurance company) thirty (30) days' (fifteen (15) days' in the event of non-payment of premiums) prior written notice of such cancellation, nonrenewal, or reduction has been given by the insurer to Lessor; and (b)) provide for a waiver of all rights of recovery by way of subrogation against Lessor. Lessee shall endeavor to promptly advise Lessor of any policy cancellation, or non-renewal. All commercial general liability policies of insurance carried pursuant to this Article shall include as an additional insured Lessor (and its agents, servants, and employees), Lessor property management company and, if required, each mortgagee of the Premises, and each lessee of either or both the Building and the land thereunder, as their respective interests may appear. Lessee shall be entitled to satisfy the insurance obligations set forth in this Lease through the self-insurance program administered by the Lessee's corporate parent, Eversource Energy, in which case the obligations this Lease imposes on the Lessee's insurance carriers shall instead apply to the Lessee's self-insurance program.

(c) If Lessee shall fail to maintain such insurance as is required by this Section, Lessor may obtain such insurance, the amount of the premium or premiums paid by Lessor for such insurance shall be collectible as Additional Rent and invoiced to the Lessee.

(d) Lessee hereby waives any rights of action against Lessor for loss or damage covered by the insurance required hereunder and Lessee covenants and agrees to obtain a waiver from the carriers of such insurance policies releasing such carrier's subrogation rights as against Lessor. Lessee shall provide Lessor with Certificates of insurance which shall evidence that the insurance required hereunder is in full force and Lessorshall endeavorto provide thirty (30) days' written notice of cancellation that the carrier of such insurance waives all right of recovery by way of subrogation against Lessor. Lessee shall deliver new Certificates showing the renewal of the coverage when the policies renew and the certificates are available to Lessee.

(e) Lessee shall not do anything, or suffer or permit anything to be done in or about the Premises or the Building which shall (a) subject Lessor to any liability or responsibility for injury to any person or property by reason of any activity being conducted on the Premises, (b) cause any increase in the fire insurance rates applicable to the Premises, the Building or equipment or other property located therein, or (c) be prohibited by any license or other permit required or issued by Governmental Authority. Lessee, at Lessee's expense, shall comply with all rules, orders, regulations or requirements of the municipality's Fire Marshall and the Connecticut Fire Insurance Rating Organization or any similar body

(f) If Lessee fails to provide the aforementioned insurance in which the City (and its agents, servants, and employees) are named as additional named insureds under said policies, the Lessee will be responsible to, and agrees to, defend, indemnify, and hold the City (and its agents, servants, and employees) harmless for any claims or lawsuits for which the City (and its agents, servants, and/or employees) would have otherwise received defense and coverage under the aforesaid insurance policies.

8. COVENANT TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS:

(a) Lessee shall defend and indemnify Lessor (including Lessor's agents, servants, and employees, hereinafter "Lessor") and save it harmless from and against any and all claims, actions, damages, liability and expense in connection with loss of life, personal injury and/or damage to property arising from or out of any occurrence in, upon, at or about the Premises, or arising from or out of the occupancy or use by Lessee (including Lessee's agents, servants, employees, invitees, or concessionaires, hereinafter "Lessee") of the Premises or any part thereof, or caused wholly or in part by any act or omission of Lessee, its agents, contractors, employees, lessees, invitees or concessionaires. If Lessor shall be made a party to any litigation or claim commenced by or against Lessee for such cause, or if Lessor alone is sued for such cause, then Lessee agrees to defend and indemnify and hold Lessor harmless except to the extent otherwise specified in subsection 8.

(b) Lessor shall not be liable for any accident or damage resulting through the use of electrical, and plumbing or other apparatus by Lessee. All personal property of Lessee in the Premises or in the building shall be at the risk of Lessee. Lessor shall not be responsible for the loss of or damages to property or injury to persons, occurring in or about the Premises that arise from or out of Lessee's use or occupancy of the Premises or arise from or out of any act or omission of Lessee by reason of any existing or future condition, defect, matter or thing in said Premises or the property of which the Premises are a part, or for the acts, omissions or negligence of other persons in and about the said property. Lessee agrees to defend and indemnify and save Lessor harmless from all claims and liability for losses of or damage to property, or injuries to persons occurring in or about the Premises that arise from or out of Lessee's use or occupancy of the Premises or arise from or out of any act or omission of Lessee's use or occupancy of the premises or arise from and liability for losses of or damage to property, or injuries to persons occurring in or about the Premises that arise from or out of Lessee's use or occupancy of the Premises or arise from or out of any act or omission of Lessee; *provided that* Lessee shall not be obligated to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Lessor, its agents, servants, and/or employees from any claims, and liability for losses of or damage to property, or injuries to persons, if caused by the negligent acts of Lessor, its agents, servants and/or employees.

9. WARRANTY OF TITLE AND RIGHT TO LEASE:

(a) Lessor represents and warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, Lessor solely owns and/or has the right to lease the Leased Premises.

(b) Both parties represent that they are duly organized/formed, validly existing, in good standing, and have all rights, power, and authority to make this Lease and bind themselves thereto through the party set forth as signatory of Lessor and Lessee set forth below.

(c) Both parties represent that they have not dealt with any real estate broker and that no brokerage commission is due to any real estate broker in connection with this Lease.

(d) Lessee shall have quiet and peaceful use, enjoyment, and possession of the Leased Premises during the Term of the Lease for its permitted uses, provided Lessee is not in default of any of the terms or conditions of this Lease (after notice and opportunity to cure).

10. <u>LESSEE'S RIGHT TO MAINTAIN SECURITY</u>: Lessee, at its cost and expense, may place, construct, and maintain a fence or any other commercially reasonable security device around any equipment or structure housing Lessee's personal property, or undertake any other appropriate means to restrict access thereto. Lessee's rights provided herein shall not interfere in any way with Lessor's right to access the Leased Premises.

11. <u>MECHANICS' LIENS</u>: If, because of any construction, addition, alteration or other activity by or on behalf of Lessee, any Notice of Intention, mechanic's or other lien, charge, or order for the payment of money or other encumbrance shall be filed against Lessor or the Leased Premises, Lessee shall, at its own cost and expense, cause same to be discharged of record, bonded or otherwise secured to Lessor's reasonable satisfaction within forty-five (45) days after Lessee's receipt of notice thereof. If Lessee fails to comply with the foregoing, Lessor shall have the option of discharging or bonding any such lien, charge, order or encumbrance, and Lessee agrees that it shall promptly reimburse Lessor upon demand for all reasonable costs, expenses, and other sums of money in connection therewith.

12. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS, UTILITIES:

(a) Lessee shall perform all repairs necessary to keep the pump station and related equipment, and all other Lessee improvements located on the Leased Premises in good condition so that same do not create any material nuisance on the Leased Premises. Lessee shall maintain the Lease Premises, pump station and related equipment, and Lessee's other improvements thereon, in good condition and repair. Lessor shall have no responsibility to repair any damage to the Lease Premises unless such damage is caused by Lessor, Lessor's employees or Lessor's agents.

(b) Lessee, at its sole expense, shall arrange for its own separately metered electrical supply service from the local utility company and shall pay for all charges for electricity and other utilities consumed by Lessee. Lessee shall be permitted to bring a generator onto the Leased Premises for temporary or emergency power, provided that the generator shall comply with all state and local laws and regulations governing the use of same.

13. <u>ENVIRONMENTAL</u> <u>MATTERS</u>: Lessee and Lessor shall conduct their activities on the Leased Premises in compliance with all applicable environmental laws. Lessee and Lessor shall not store, produce, use or maintain any substance, chemical or waste that is defined as hazardous, toxic or dangerous in any applicable federal, state or local law or regulation ("<u>Hazardous Materials</u>") on the Leased Premises in violation of any applicable law.

14. <u>DEFAULT AND RIGHT TO CURE</u>: Each of the following shall be deemed a default and a breach of this Agreement:

(a) Non-payment by Lessee of Rent due hereunder for a period of ten (10) days after receipt of written notice of such failure to pay from Lessor;

(b) Non-payment by Lessee of Taxes due hereunder by the due date stated by the municipality;

(3) Failure to perform any other covenant under this Lease for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of notice from the non-defaulting party specifying the failure. No such failure, however, shall be deemed to exist if, because of any cause beyond the reasonable control of the defaulting party, the default is of such a nature that it cannot reasonably be cured within such thirty (30) day period, provided that the defaulting party shall have commenced good faith efforts to rectify the same within such thirty-day (30) period and if such efforts shall be prosecuted to completion with reasonable diligence and within a reasonable period of time. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary and without waiving any other rights granted to it in law or in equity, if the default is not cured within such 30-day period (or extension thereof) the non-defaulting party shall have the right but not the obligation, to terminate this Lease on written notice pursuant to Paragraph 16 hereof, to take effect immediately.

(d) In the event Lessor has defaulted under the terms of this Agreement, and such default interferes with Lessee's ability to operate its pump station and related equipment, Lessor shall use reasonable efforts to cure such default as expeditiously as possible. If Lessor fails to promptly comply with the foregoing, Lessee shall have the option of curing such default, and Lessor agrees that it shall promptly reimburse Lessee upon demand for all reasonable costs, expenses, and other sums of money in connection therewith, including without limitation attorney fees and court costs.

15. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>: Lessor may assign this Agreement to any future owner of the Leased Premises, provided said assignee will assume, and also become responsible to Lessee for the performance of all of the terms and conditions to be performed by Lessor under this Lease. Upon any such assignment by Lessor and assumption by such Assignee, Lessor shall be relieved from any and all liability hereunder to the Lessee. This Lease may be sold, assigned or transferred by Lessee without any approval or consent of Lessor to Lessee's principal, affiliates or subsidiaries of its principal; to any entity which acquires all or substantially all of Lessee's assets by reason of a merger, acquisition or other business reorganization; or to any public or private utility provider. Lessee shall provide to Lessor written notice of such assignment as soon as possible after the assignment. Lessee may not otherwise assign or sublet this Lease without Lessor's prior written consent. Lessor agrees that, upon any transfer or assignment of the Lease by Lessee accomplished in accordance with the terms of this Lease, Lessee shall be relieved of all future performances, liabilities and obligations under this Lease arising after the date of such assignment, provided that

the assignee or transferee becomes bound to the Lessor under this Lease by signed written instrument delivered to the Lessor. Any future assignee shall be responsible for all the terms and conditions of this Lease from the date of any such assignment.

16. <u>NOTICES</u>: Unless otherwise provided herein, any notice of demand required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by overnight delivery, certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, in a sealed envelope, postage prepaid, to be effective when received, refused or returned undelivered. Notice shall be addressed to the parties at the addresses hereinafter set forth. Either party hereto may change the place for the giving of notice to it by like written notice to the other as provided herein.

As to Lessor:	Department of Public Facilities City of Bridgeport 999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604
With a copy to:	Office of the City Attorney City of Bridgeport 999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604
As to Lessee:	Aquarion Water Company of CT Real Estate Department 600 Lindley Street Bridgeport, CT 06606

17. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>: If any provision of this Lease shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be binding upon the parties and shall be enforceable as though said invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision where not contained herein, provided, however, that if the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision is material to this Lease, this Lease may be terminated by either party on ten (10) days written notice to the other party hereto.

18. <u>AMENDMENT</u>; <u>WAIVER</u>: No revision of this Lease shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by an authorized representative of both parties. No provision of this Lease may be waived except in writing signed by both parties.

19. <u>BIND AND BENEFIT</u>: All the conditions and covenants contained in this Lease shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and permitted assignees of each of the parties hereto.

20. <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>: This Lease and the Exhibit attached hereto constitute the entire agreement of the parties hereto and shall supersede all prior offers, negotiations and agreements.

21. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>: This Lease shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. Any action arising out of or related to the Lease shall be brought in State Court in Connecticut.

22. <u>COUNTERPARTS</u>: This Lease may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original.

23. <u>WAIVER OF LESSOR'S LIEN</u>: Lessor hereby waives any and all lien rights they may have, statutory or otherwise, concerning Lessee's pump station and related equipment on the Leased Premises or any portion thereof, which shall be deemed personal property for the purposes of this Lease, whether or not the same is deemed real or personal property under applicable laws, and Lessor gives Lessee and Mortgagees the right to remove all or any portion of the same from time to time, whether before or after a default under this Lease, in Lessee's and/or Mortgagee's sole discretion and without Lessor's consent.

24. <u>COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION</u>: COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION. THE PARTIES HERETO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS A COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION AND LESSEE AND LESSOR HEREBY EXPRESSLY AND VOLUNTARILY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS THAT THEY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION DEFENSE, COUNTERCLAIM, CROSSCLAIM AND/OR ANY FORM OF PROCEEDING WITH RESPECT TO THIS LEASE AND AS TO ANY ISSUE ARISING OR RELATING TO THE PREMISES OR THIS TRANSACTION.

[Signatures follow on next page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Lease the date and year first written above.

Signed and delivered in the presence of:

Lessor: CITY OF BRIDGEPORT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES

By_

Craig Nadrizny Director of Public Facilities

Witness:

Witness:

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

ss: Bridgeport

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this ____ day of _____ 2023, by Craig Nadrizny, Director of Public Facilities, on behalf of the City of Bridgeport.

Notary Public/Commissioner of the Superior Court

Signed and delivered in the presence of:

Lessee:

AQUARION WATER COMPANY OF CONNECTICUT

By___

Daniel R. Lawrence Vice President of Engineering and Real Estate

Witness:

Witness:

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD

ss: Bridgeport

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of ______ 20____, by Daniel R. Lawrence, Vice President of Engineering and Real Estate of Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut, a Connecticut corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

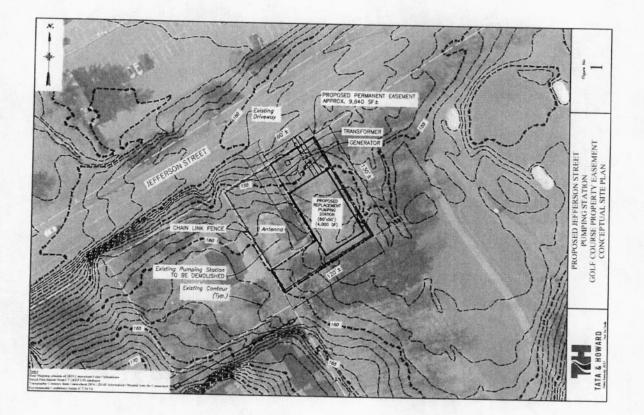
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EXHIBIT A

Replacement of the Jefferson Street Water Pumping Station

Aquarion Water Company would like to consider replacing the current pump station on the Golf Course parcel adjacent to our facility. We would like the Parks Board to consider allowing an easement for a parcel of land approximately 60 feet x 130 feet (9,640 square feet) that abuts our existing property. This project would be constructed while the pump station remains online serving our customers and we will develop the new site to be protective of golfers and golf course staff. Our site will be fenced, and appropriate plantings can be provided that serves both as visual barriers and an added safety buffer. The new pump station structure will be above ground and approximately 50 feet x 80 feet.

Below is a concept design plan to show the location of the new facility, this data has been shared with staff and the city Attorney at a site meeting held on January 26, 2023.





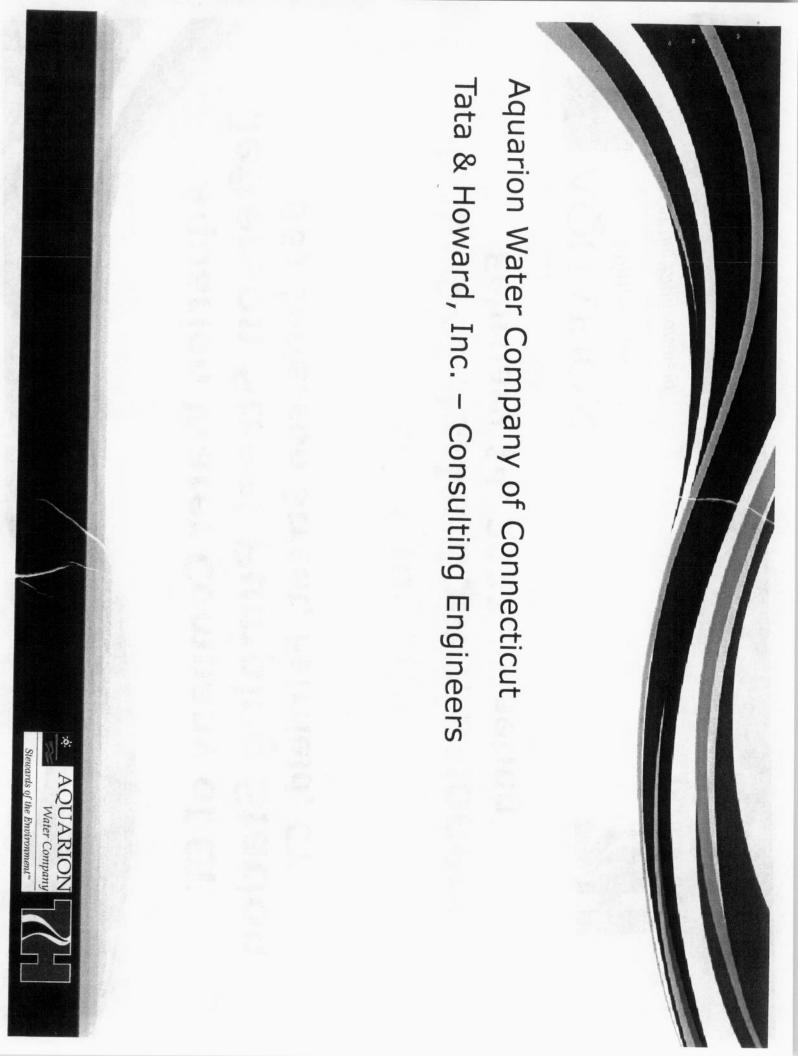
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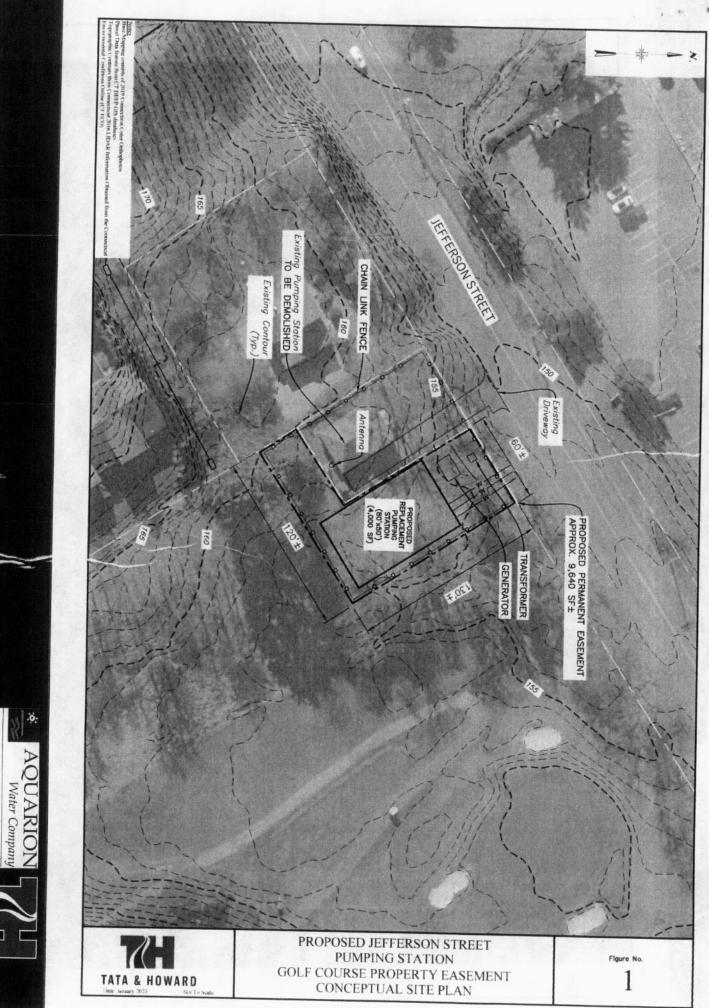


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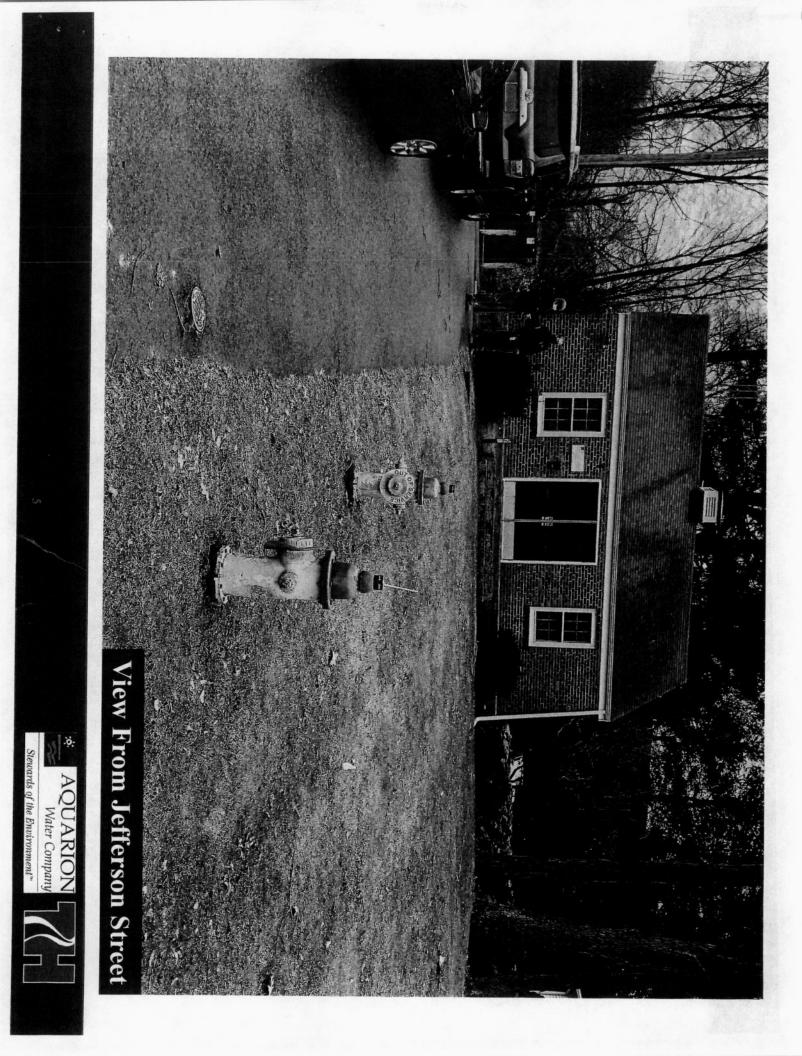
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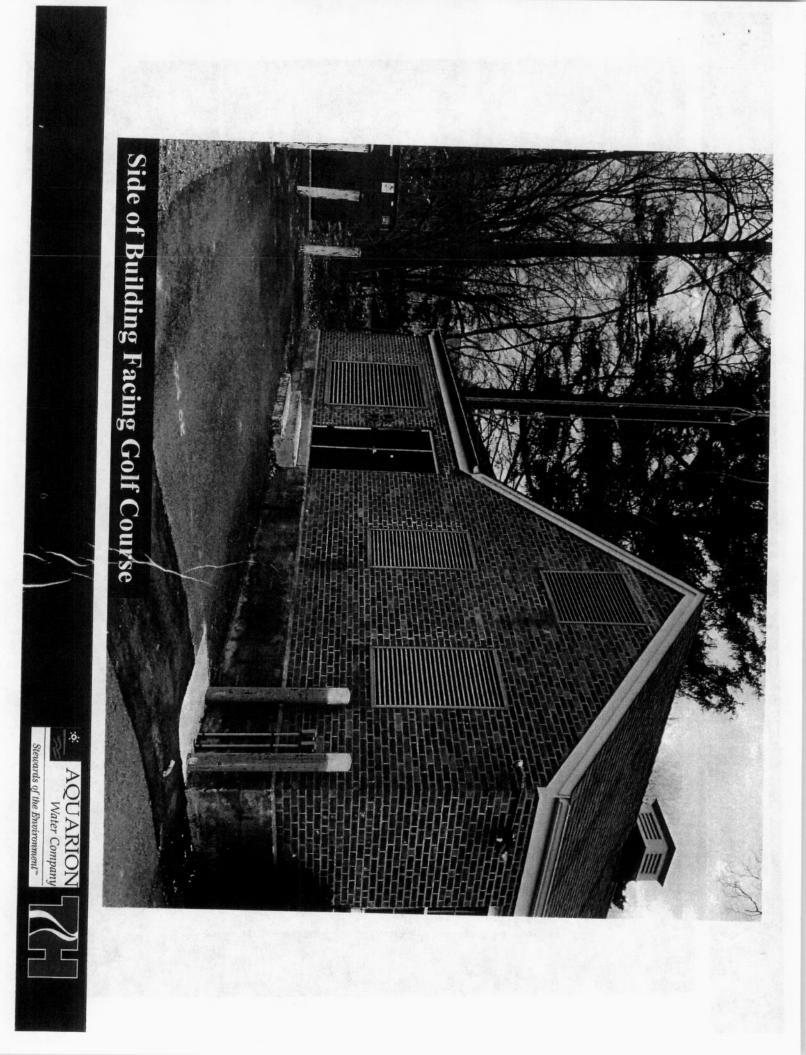


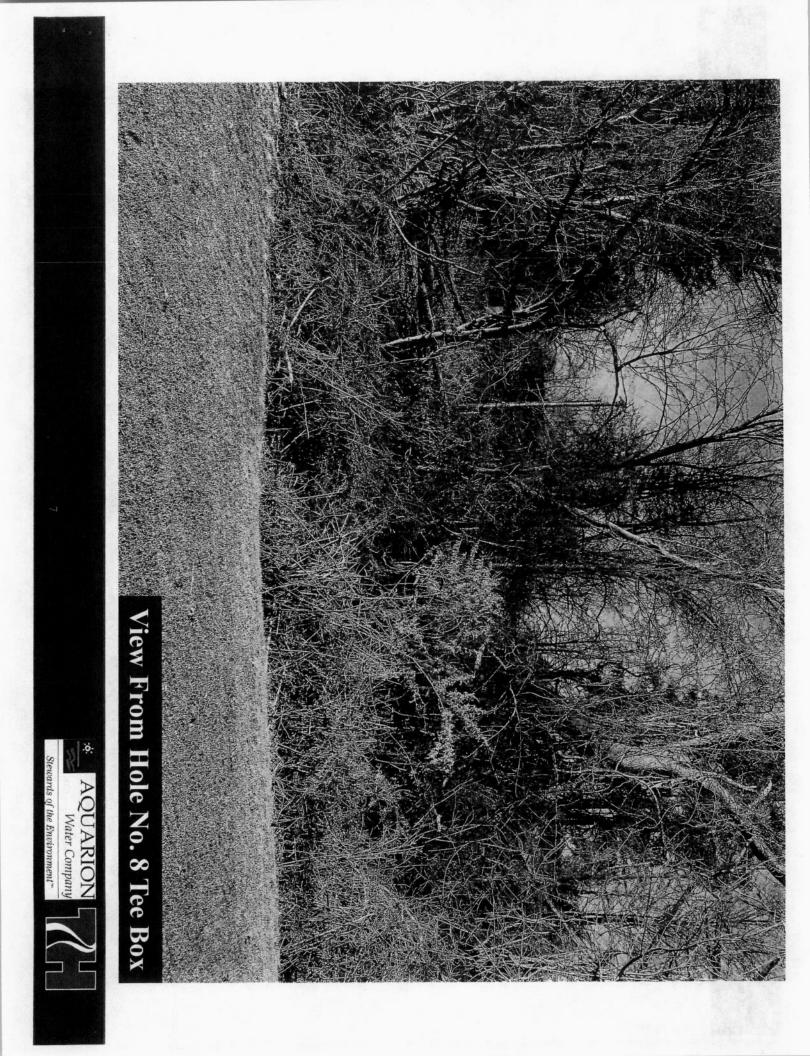




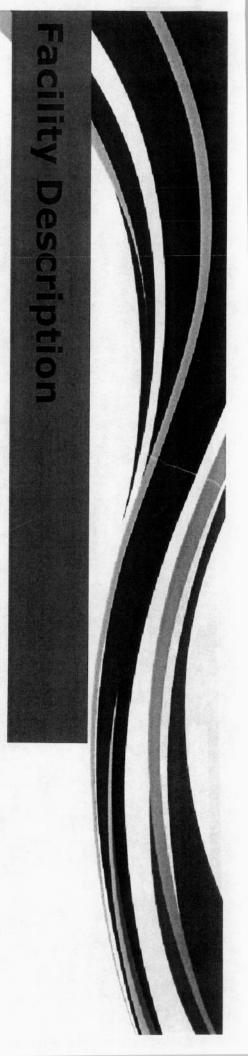
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- Original facility erected in 1950 with several modifications since then.
- A critical facility for two Service Areas.
- Transfers water to Service Areas incorporating portions of Easton, Fairfield, Trumbull, and City of Bridgeport.
- Standby Generator can only run a single pump.
- Most equipment beyond its useful service life.

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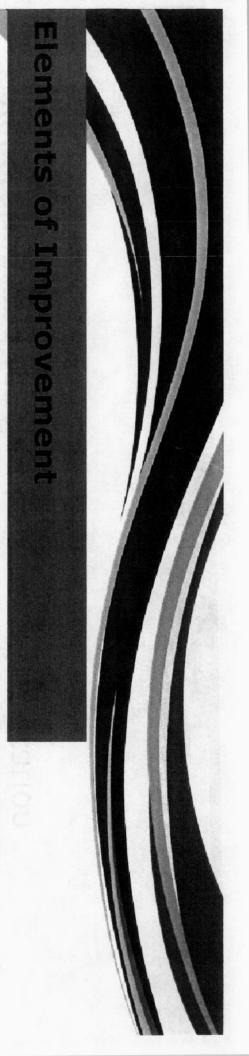
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- No Redundant pumping capacity
- Only one pump for each service area
- Floor space does not allow for the modification of additional pumps. the existing structure and piping to accommodate
- No longer meets industry or Aquarion Standards for

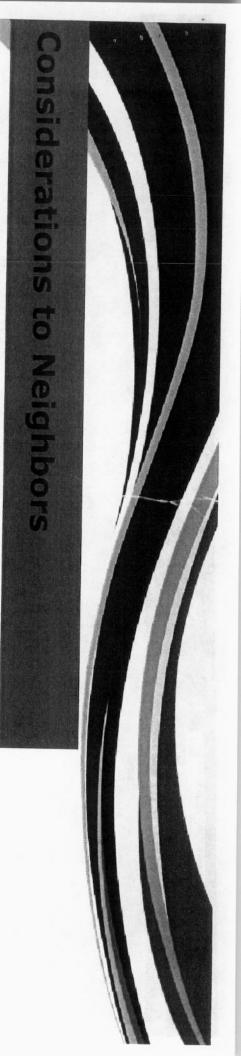
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- Sized to accommodate multiple pumps for each Service Area.
- Standby generator set large enough to run the entire facility.
- Automated alarms and controls with remote monitoring capabilities
- Safety and security improvements.

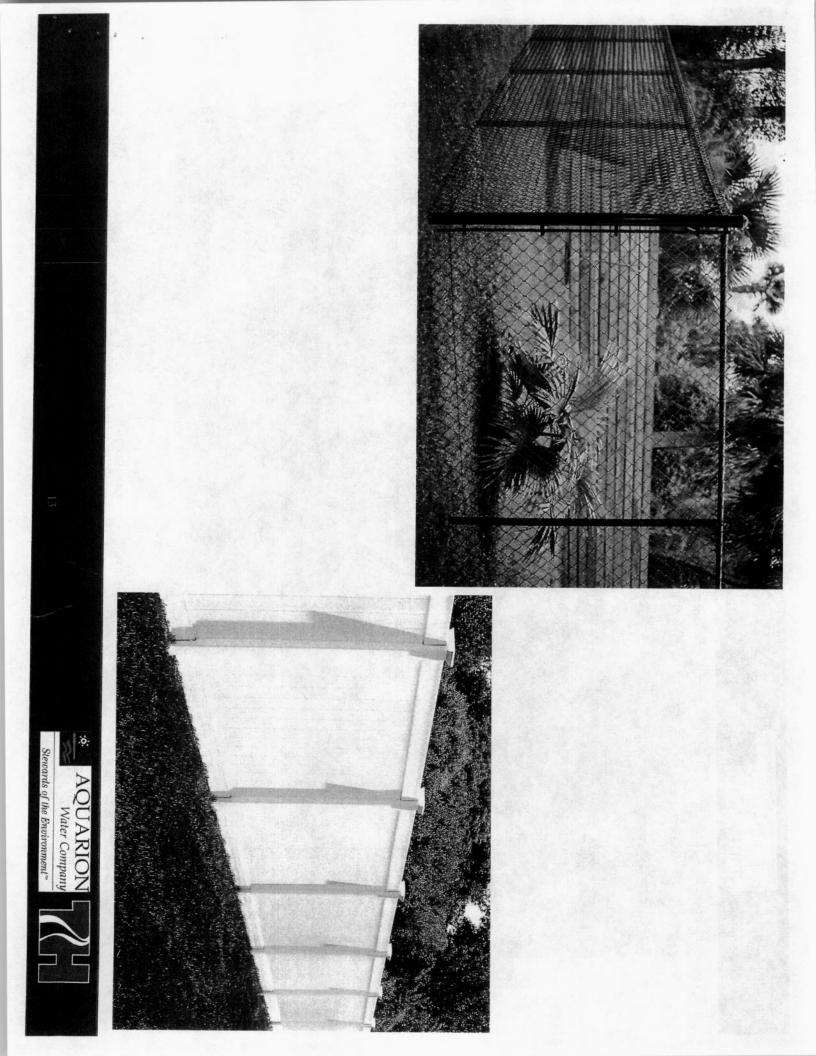


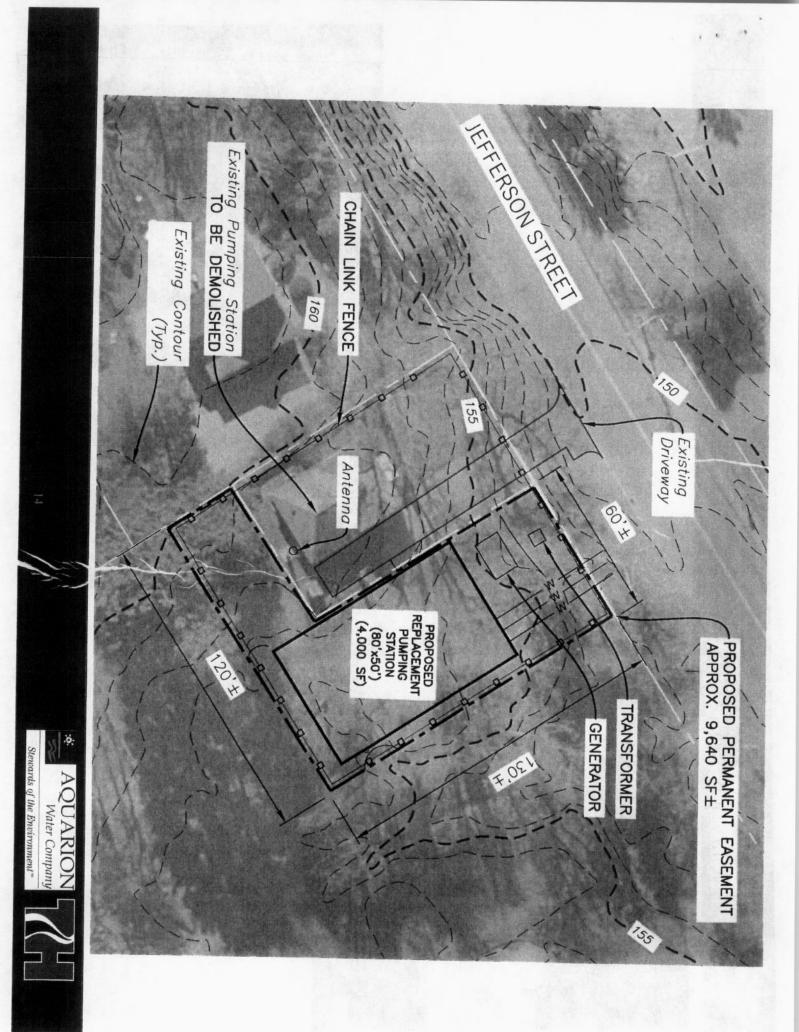


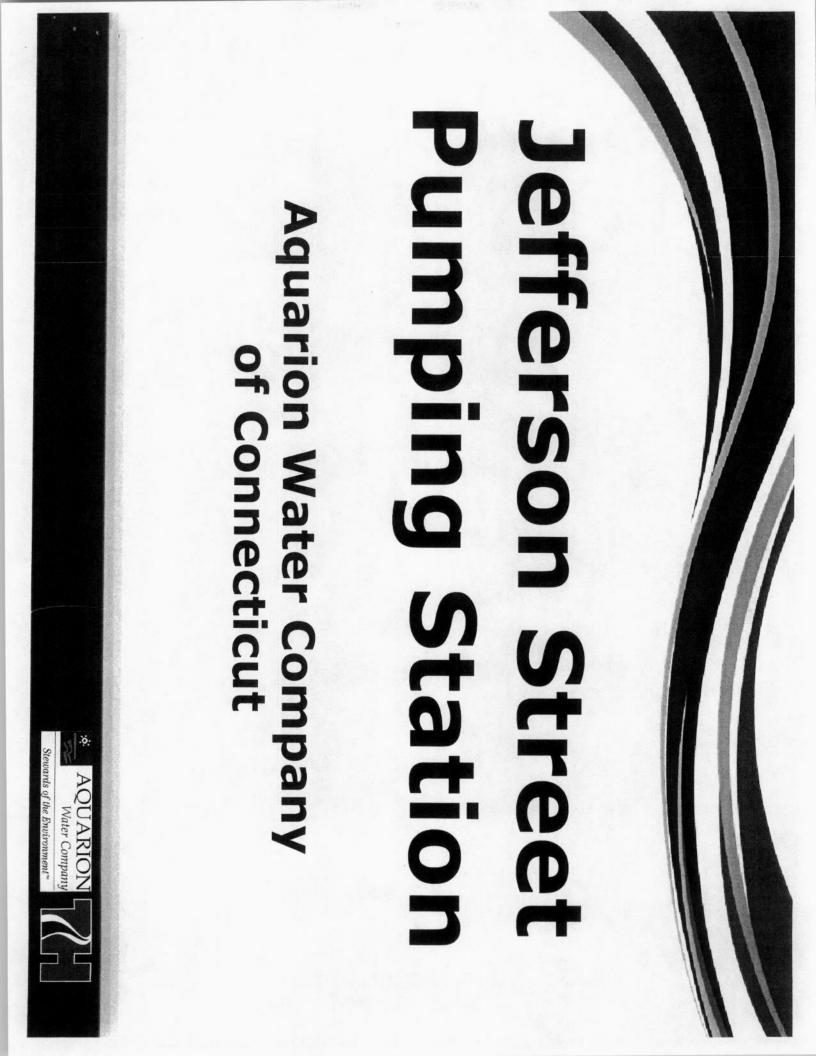
- Replacement structure to mimic appearance of the existing structure (residential look)
- Standby generator (natural gas) housed in Sound Attenuating Enclosure
- Acoustic Louvers on wall openings
- Vegetation and fencing to screen the station

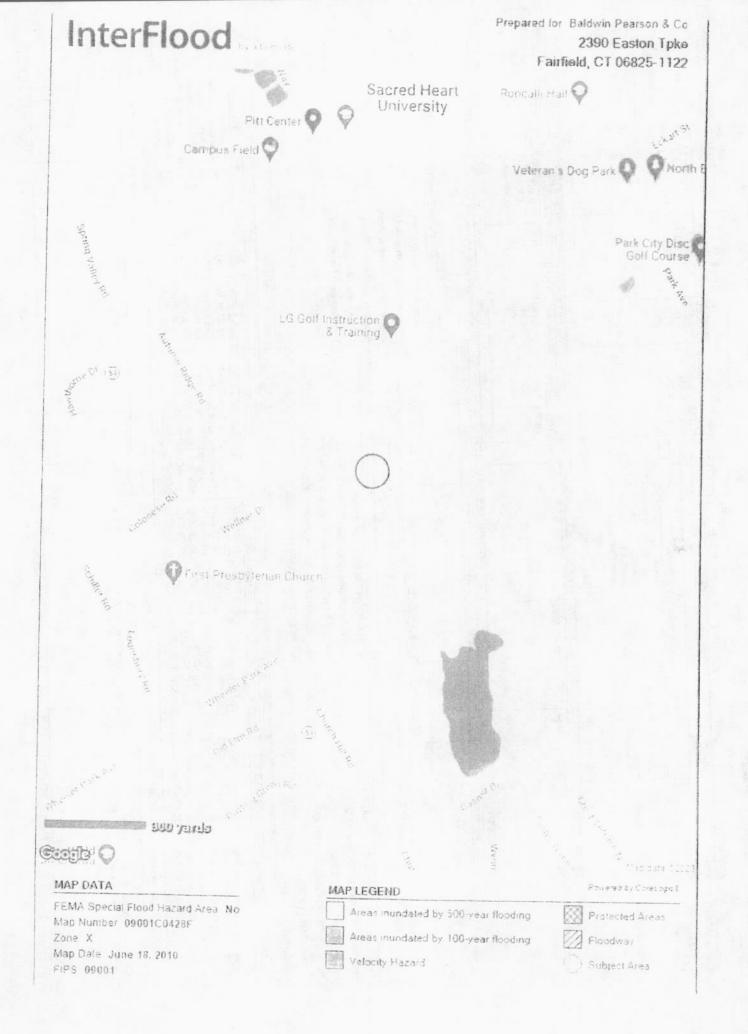
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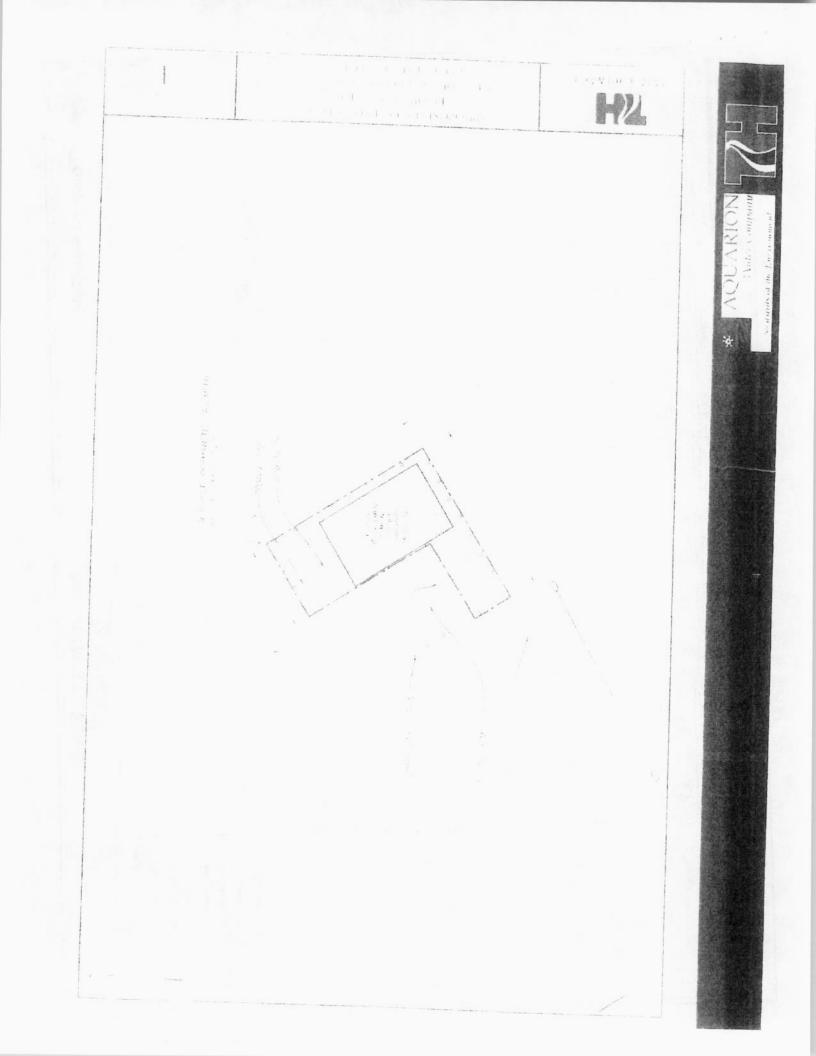


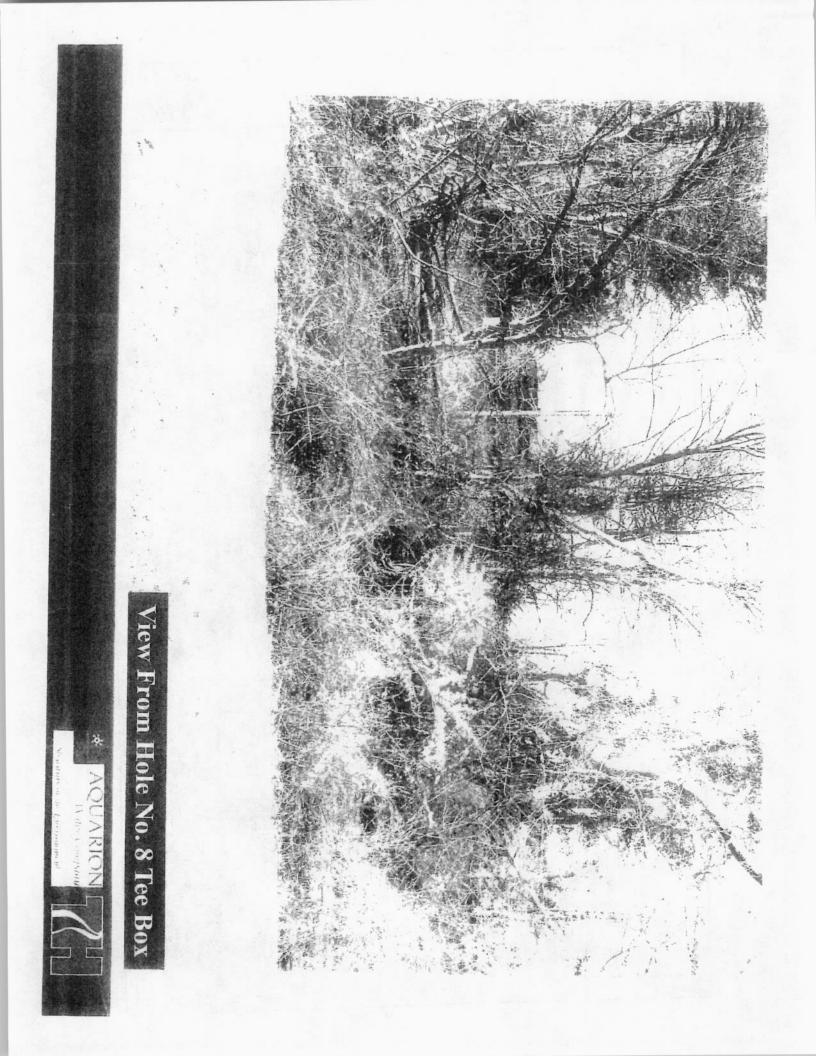


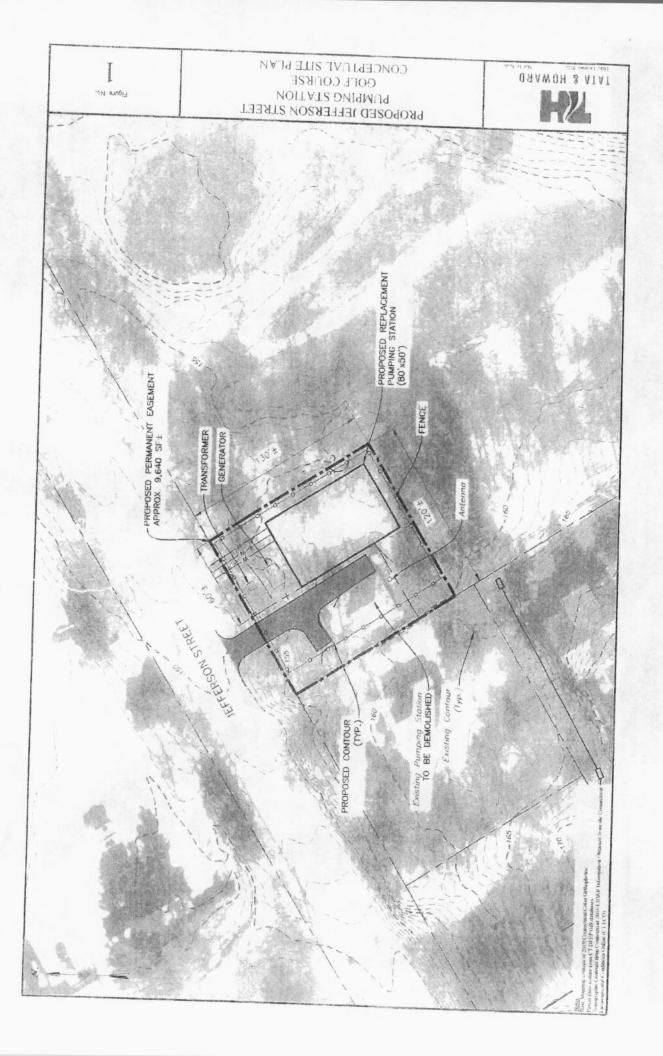


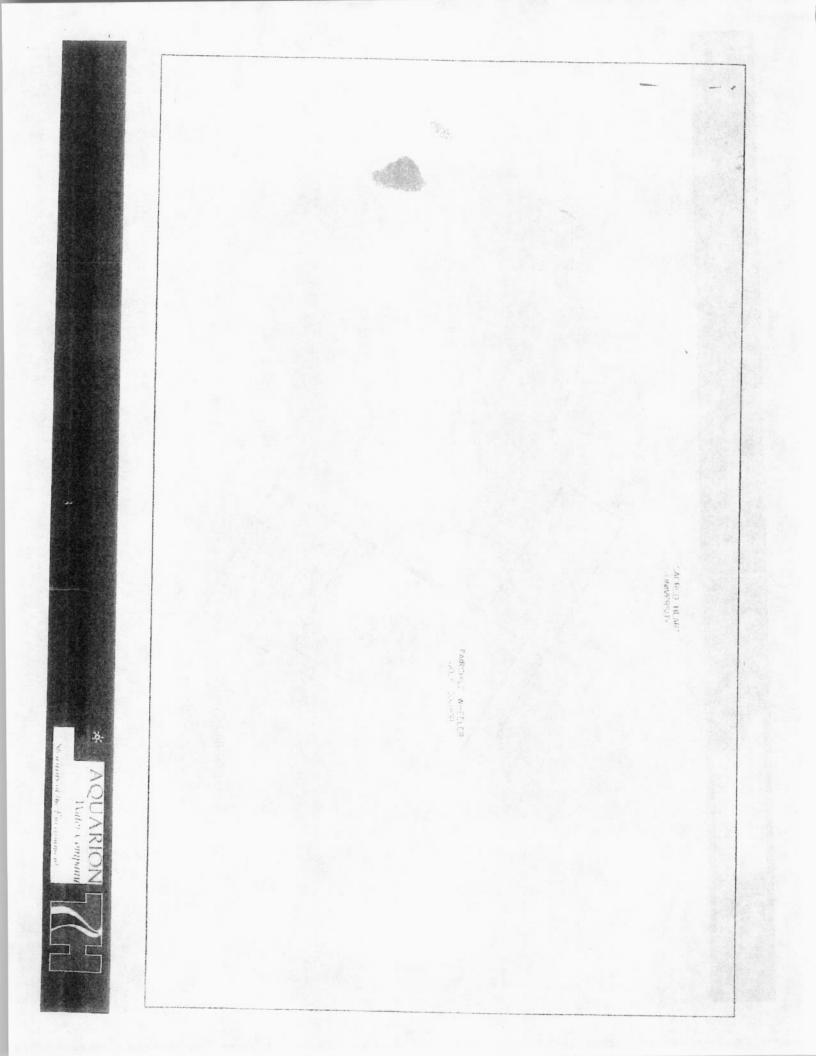
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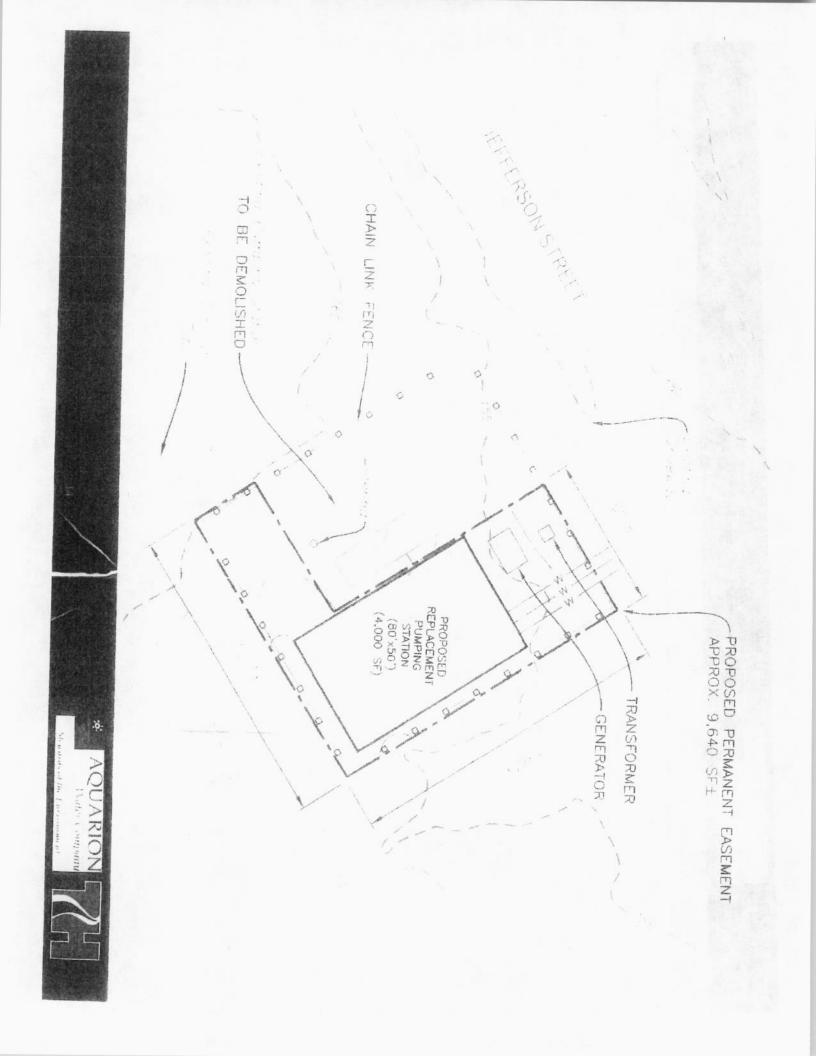
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