CITY OF BRIDGEPORT MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING JULY 22, 2024 AT 6PM

ATTENDANCE:

Aikeem G. Boyd, Co-chair; Denise Taylor-Moye;

Matthew McCarthy; Richard Ortiz.

OTHERS: Aidee Nieves, Council President;

Maria H. Pereira (6:09), 138th District Representative.

Anthony Paoletto, Mayor's Office;

Andy Toledo, Director of Community Relations; John Bohannon,

Deputy of City Attorney's Office.

Mdsufian Ahmed, Appointee to Historic District

Commission;

Lisa Anderson, Appointee to Water Pollution Control.

CALL TO ORDER

Co-chair Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. There was a quorum present at the time of roll call.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

- June 24, 2024 (Regular Meeting)
- **COUNCIL MEMBER ORTIZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2024 (REGULAR MEETING).
- **COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED THE MOTION.
- **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- Appointment of Lisa Anderson (D) to the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Ms. Anderson shared she was born and raised in the city of Bridgeport and currently works in the city system. She would like to be more involved with commission to better serve the community.

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Ms. Anderson replied she is the secretary at Park City Magnet School.

Council member Taylor-Moye asked how long she held her position.

Ms. Anderson replied she has been there for 5 years and with the city for 25 years.

Council member Taylor-Moye asked if she believes any conflicts or confusions would arise between her work and the commission.

Ms. Anderson replied no.

- **COUNCIL MEMBER MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 103-23.
- **COUNCIL PRESIDENT NEIVES SECONDED THE MOTION.
- **THE ITEM PASSED WITH THREE (3) IN FAVOR (TAYLOR-MOYE, MCCARTHY, AND NIEVES) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (ORTIZ).
- Appointment of Mdsufian Ahmed (U) to the Historic District Commission. (Note: Item #103-23 and 104-23 can be found on the City of Bridgeport's Website: Boards & Commissions; City Council; Meeting Minutes, Agendas & Notices; 2023-2024 Full/Agenda Package; 2024-06-17.pdf)

COUNCIL MEMBER PEREIRA JOINED THE MEETING AT 6:09 PM

Mr. Ahmed shared he was born and raised in the city and recently purchased a property in the historic district and after engaging with the commission, he saw an opportunity to be involved with the community.

Council member McCarthy said if there were any sways as he just bought a property in the district and now wants to be part of the committee.

Mr. Paoletto replied one of the requirements to the committee is to be a resident of the historic district zone.

Council member Taylor-Moye asked if he learned a lot about his property and neighborhood.

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Co-chair Boyd asked how old his property was.

Mr. Ahmed replied it was built in 1929.

Council member Taylor-Moye asked if he felt like any conflict would arise being on the commission.

Mr. Ahmed replied he trusts the committee to make decisions without his status of being a homeowner in the area and he will do his best to follow procedures.

Council member Pereira asked about the number of members on the commission.

Mr. Toledo replied there are two vacancies.

Council member Pereira asked Mr. Ahmed if he understood that if he were to propose any modification on his property he must abstain from debating and voting on the matter.

Mr. Ahmed replied yes.

- **COUNCIL MEMBER ORTIZ MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 104-23.
- **COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED THE MOTION.
- **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation in the matter of Kaitlyn Edwards v. City of Bridgeport Docket No: 3:23-CV-00089(VAB). (Note: Item #74-23 can be found on the City of Bridgeport's Website: Boards & Commissions; City Council; Meeting Minutes, Agendas &

Notices; 2023-2024 Full/Agenda Package; 2024-05-06.pd)

Co-chair Boyd asked Atty. Bohannon if they needed to discuss the item again as it was presented before.

Atty. Bohannon said it could be acted upon without discussion since it was discussed at length in prior meetings, the correspondence just needed to be submitted to the city clerk's office.

**COUNCIL MEMBER MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 74-23.

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**COUNCIL MEMBER ORTIZ SECONDED THE MOTION.

Council member Taylor-Moye explained she needed to abstain from voting because she was not at the meeting when they discussed the matter.

**THE MOTION PASSED WITH THREE (3) IN FAVOR (MCCARTHY, ORTIZ, AND NIEVES) AND ONE (1) ABSTENTION (TAYLOR-MOYE).

ADJOURNMENT

- **COUNCIL MEMBER MCCARTY MOTIONED TO ADJOURN AT 6:17PM.
- **COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR-MOYE SECONDED THE MOTION.
- **THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Vianca Rivera
Telesco Secretarial Services