

Finance and Government Operations Commission Meeting Minutes  
Middletown, Connecticut  
July 31, 2019 @ 5:30 pm  
Municipal Building Room 208

Present: Councilman Sebastian Giuliano, Councilwoman Linda Salafia, Councilman Gerald Daley, Councilwoman Mary Bartolotta, Councilman W. Vance Cotten, Carl Erlacher, Joseph Samolis, Cathy Lechowicz, Kevin Elak, Attorney Brigham Smith, Wayne Bartolotta, Brandie Doyle, Ramona Burkey, Justin Carbonella, Elisabeth Holder, Marco DiMauro, Domenico DiMauro, Dave Brown

Absent: None

1. Councilwoman Bartolotta called the meeting to order and requested a motion to approve the June 26, 2019 Finance and Government meeting minutes. Councilman Daley motioned to approve, Councilman Cotten second; unanimously approved.
2. Public Comments on the Agenda –Elisabeth Holder thanked the commission for considering the open space bond.
3. Items submitted for discussion:
  - Youth Services – 1) Grant Confirmation totaling \$6200 in local funds for United Way Healthy Child / Healthy Youth Grant; 2) Grant Confirmation totaling \$21,677 in State funds for the CSSD LIST Support Grant Councilman Daley motioned to approve both Grant confirmations, Councilwoman Salafia second; unanimously approved.
  - Central Communications – Appropriation Request totaling \$2620 to cover FY 1819 Replacement OT shortfall Councilwoman Salafia motioned to approve, Councilman Daley second; unanimously approved.
  - Rec & Comm Svcs – Grant Confirmation totaling \$40,000, via Activity Fees Account line transfer, to support department activities, supplies, wages and bussing Councilwoman Salafia motioned to approve, Councilman Cotten second; unanimously approved.
  - Library – Appropriation request totaling \$15,909 for reimbursement for repair of HVAC system Councilman Daley motioned to approve, Councilman Cotten second; unanimously approved.
  - OGC – 1) Request to amend Ordinance 272-9 to include 272-9.5 Tax Fixing Agreement for 790 and 850 Newfield Street, in favor of Middletown Conn Realty LLC; 2) Real Estate Tax Fixing Agreement between the City of Middletown and Middletown Conn Realty LLC Marco DiMauro, discussed that intention of this property is to hopefully attract the young professionals to reside in Middletown as well as the empty nesters who would reside here 6 months out of the year. Councilwoman Salafia motioned to approve, Councilman Daley second; unanimously approved.
  - PCD – Bond Ordinance totaling \$5,000,000 for the acquisition of land and land interests to preserve open space and farm lands in the City of Middletown Councilman Daley motioned to approve the bond ordinance as drafted by the bond counsel, Councilman Giuliano second; unanimously approved.
4. Reports
  - Transfer of Funds/BOE Transfers
  - General Fund Appropriations
  - City's Investments
  - Tax Collection Recap Report
  - Professional Services Report
  - Monthly Expenditure Summary Report
  - Quarterly Reports – Arts & Culture / Senior Services checking accounts
5. Other

The next regular meeting is Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 5:30 pm in Room 208

Respectfully submitted by, Tracy Vess on behalf of Carl R. Erlacher