



CITY OF NORWICH
CONNECTICUT

AGENDA – MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
May 16, 2016
7:00 PM

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN COMMENT GENERAL (30 Minutes)

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. The 2016 State of Connecticut Tourism Rising Star Award recipient Regan Miner.
2. Communication from Department of Transportation for a study to improve accommodations for pedestrians and bicyclists.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CITIZENS COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS

NEW BUSINESS-RESOLUTIONS

1. Relative to a resolution scheduling a Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant allocation recommendations.
2. Relative to setting a Public Hearing to review applications and receive comments relative to the Neighborhood Assistance Act.
3. Relative to appointments as regular members to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
4. Relative to authorizing the sale of beer and wine at “The Taste of Italy” food festival to be held September 10, 2016.
5. Relative to changing the basic fee schedule for the Rogers Road transfer station.
6. Relative to scheduling an additional 2016-17 budget public hearing.

Betsy Bennett

City Clerk

RESOLUTION #1

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich is an entitlement community receiving U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars of \$778,804 for program year (PY) 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) has held public meetings and voted on their recommendations for CDBG allocations in the month of March; and

WHEREAS, the allocation process is subject to a 30-day comment period prior to being placed into effect and the Council of the City of Norwich must hold a public hearing regarding the recommendations prior to the final vote on the allocation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that the Council shall and hereby does schedule a public hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m. during the June 20, 2016 Council meeting on the subject of Community Development Block Grant allocation recommendations for PY 2016.

CDBG Requests - PY 2016				
	Anticipated PY 2016 Allocation	\$ 778,804.00		
		PY 2016 Request	CDAC Recommended	Council Recommended
1	CD Office - Administration	\$ 155,761.00	\$ 155,761.00	
	PUBLIC/SOCIAL SERVICES			
2	TVCCA - Home Again Project	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	
3	Norwich Adult Education - ESOL Instruction	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	
4	Our Piece of the Pie - Norwich Work Force Development	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	
5	Madonna Place - Fatherhood Initiative	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	
6	Safe Futures - Domestic Violence Response Team	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
7	Thames River Family Program -Employment & Housing	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	
8	Norwich Human Services - Norwich Works	\$ 48,884.49	\$ 48,884.49	
9	Norwich Community Care Team	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
10	NCDC	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	
	Total Public/Social Service	\$ 205,884.49	\$ 78,884.49	\$ -
	OTHER			
11	Norwich Housing Authority - Roof Replacement Sunset Park Phase 2	\$ 87,500.00	\$ -	
12	Norwich Fire Dept - Head Quarters Storage Facility	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	
13	Norwich Public Works - Taftville Sidewalks Phase 1	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 83,000.00	
14	Norwich Public Works - Sidewalk Ramps	\$ 66,000.00	\$ -	
15	Norwich Public Works - Playground Phase II	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 65,000.00	
16	CD Office Neighborhood Preservation/ Property Rehab Program	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 306,158.51	
17	Habitat for Humanity - 244 Washington St	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	
18	Disability Network	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
19	Norwich Police Dept-Taftville Public Safety Camera System Expansion	\$ 99,930.00		
	Total Public Service	\$ 205,884.49	\$ 78,884.49	\$ -
	Total Other	\$ 971,430.00	\$ 544,158.51	\$ -
	CD Administration	\$ 155,761.00	\$ 155,761.00	\$ -
	Total Requests	\$ 1,333,075.49	\$ 778,804.00	\$ -

City Manager John L. Salomone

RESOLUTION #2

WHEREAS, the R.E. Van Norstrand Neighborhood Assistance Act, Chapter 228a of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S. 12-630aa-12-638) offers certain benefits to municipalities desiring to obtain the same and is administered by the State Department of Revenue Services (Commission of Revenue Services); and

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Assistance Act provides a tax credit for business firms which sponsor local programs; and

WHEREAS, such programs must be proposed and conducted by private non-profit agencies or municipalities and be approved by the local legislative body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that a public hearing will be held on June 20, 2016 to review applications and receive comments relative to the Neighborhood Assistance Act.

Mayor Debercy Hinchey

RESOLUTION #3

WHEREAS, the City Manager John L. Salomone has appointed as **regular members** to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire on 2/28/18 or until a successor is appointed;

Henry Olender Jr. (U)
Dorothy Travers (D)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Norwich hereby acknowledges the appointments of the above named to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

City Manager John L. Salomone

RESOLUTION #4

WHEREAS, the Italian Heritage and Cultural Committee of Norwich will sponsor the 25th year of “The Taste of Italy” at the Howard T. Brown Park on September 10, 2016.

WHEREAS, “The Taste of Italy” allows the Italian Community to share its cultural heritage with the Norwich Community and permits festival goers to enjoy the food, music and entertainment of Italy; and

WHEREAS, the Italian Heritage and Cultural Committee of Norwich has requested permission to sell beer and wine during the festival.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 13.14.2 of the Norwich Code of Ordinances, the City Manager is authorized to grant the Italian Heritage and Cultural Committee of Norwich permission to serve and sell beer and wine at “The Taste of Italy” festival to be held on September 10, 2016 at the Howard T. Brown Park subject to satisfactory proof that the Italian Heritage and Cultural Committee of Norwich has complied with applicable regulations of the State Liquor Commission.

Mayor Deberey Hinchey

RESOLUTION #5

WHEREAS, section 9-41 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Norwich provides that the Council may, on or before the fourth Monday of each May, by resolution, change the basic fee schedule for the Rogers Road Transfer Station as set forth in a schedule of fees at section 9-40 of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the present schedule establishes a rate of \$3.00 for the disposal of any tire 20" in diameter or smaller and provides a rate of \$5.00 per tire for other tires.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that the rate for the disposal of tires be set at \$3.00 each for tires 21" in diameter or smaller and \$5.00 each for tires greater than 21" in diameter.

Mayor Deberay Hinchey

RESOLUTION #6

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Norwich has held two public hearings on the budget to be adopted for fiscal year 2016-2017; and

WHEREAS, both public hearings were completed prior to the adoption of a budget by the legislature of the State of Connecticut and there existed an unusual degree of uncertainty as to the amount of revenue to be available to the city of Norwich under the state budget for fiscal year 2016-2017 at the time of these public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the council finds it would be of assistance to it and in the best interest of the city of Norwich to hold a third public hearing before adopting the budget for the city of Norwich for fiscal year 2016-2017.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that an additional public hearing on the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017 be and hereby is scheduled to be held on Monday, May 23, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Mayor Debercy Hinchey