



CITY OF NORWICH
CONNECTICUT

AGENDA MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
September 18, 2023
7:30 PM

The meeting will be televised on the Public Access Channel and posted on the city website, www.norwichct.org, in real time.

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMENT GENERAL (30 MINUTES)

PUBLIC HEARING

1. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$199,200,000 FOR THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF NORWICH, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$199,200,000 REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY SECURED SOLELY BY SEWER REVENUE TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO GRANT AND LOAN AGREEMENTS AND A JOINT RESOLUTION WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT WITH RESPECT THERETO.
2. Relative to participation in a Cost Sharing Program with The City of Norwich to construct concrete sidewalks.

SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ABOVE ORDINANCE PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

PETITION AND COMMUNICATION

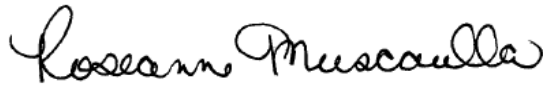
1. Report from the Commission on the City Plan of the City of Norwich, pursuant to Section 8-24 of the General Statutes and Chapter XV, Section 4 of the Norwich City Charter AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$199,200,000 FOR THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF NORWICH, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$199,200,000 REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY SECURED SOLELY BY SEWER REVENUE TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO GRANT AND LOAN AGREEMENTS AND A JOINT RESOLUTION WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT WITH RESPECT THERETO.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CITIZENS COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS (on agenda items only)

NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

1. Relative to participation in a Cost Sharing Program with The City of Norwich to construct concrete sidewalks.
2. Relative to the approval of the assignment of the Ground Lease and Development Agreement for the Norwich Marina to Patten Marina Holdings LLC.
3. Relative to authorizing the City Manager Salomone to negotiate any additional terms relative to the sale of 57 Roath St.
4. Relative to the Council support for the Avalonia Land Conservancy's Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition (OSWA) Grant Program application for the purchase of 282, 292, 300R, and 318R Old Canterbury Turnpike.
5. Relative to City Manager being authorized to grant the Church of the Divine Providence permission to sell beer at its "Taste of Poland Festival".
6. Relative to approving the location of the Greeneville playground wall for a mural and requests that the artists and those assisting them coordinate with the City Planner and the Public Works Director.

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City Clerk

COUNCIL ORDINANCE

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH:

Section 1. The sum of \$199,200,000 is appropriated for costs associated with upgrades to the Water Pollution Control Facility that will include septage receiving and pumping, influent pipeline improvements, preliminary treatment, influent pumping, primary treatment, aeration and biological nutrient removal, secondary treatment, ultraviolet light disinfection, effluent pumping, odor control, sludge handling, storage and pumping, facility wide electrical and instrumentation / SCADA improvements, replacement of the existing administration and laboratory facilities and the closure of the adjacent Hollyhock Island waste disposal area, and such additional improvements as may be accomplished within said appropriation provided herein, and including all administration, advertising, printing, legal, and financing costs as more fully set forth in this Ordinance (hereafter the "Project") as shall be determined by the City of Norwich Department of Public Utilities (the "Department"). Said appropriation shall be inclusive of State and Federal grants in aid thereof. The Department is authorized to enter into contracts, expend the appropriation and implement the Project herein authorized.

Section 2. The estimated useful life of the Project is 30 years. The total estimated cost of the Project is \$199,200,000. Of the total estimated Project costs, approximately \$64,000,000 is anticipated to be grant funded by or through the State of Connecticut pursuant to its Clean Water Fund Program (as hereinafter defined), and approximately \$135,200,000 is anticipated to be financed by or through the State of Connecticut pursuant to its Clean Water Fund Program, through subsidized interest loans. The Project is a general benefit to the City of Norwich and its general governmental purposes.

Section 3. To meet said appropriation:

(i) bonds of the City or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the twentieth year after their date (or such longer term as may be authorized). Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the City Manager, the Comptroller - acting on behalf of the City herein - and General Manager of the City of Norwich Department of Public Utilities - acting on behalf of the Department and the Sewer Authority (hereafter the "Sewer Authority") herein - (the "Issuer Officials") and the amount of bonds of each series to be issued shall be fixed by the Issuer Officials in the amount necessary to meet the Issuer's share of the cost of the Project determined after considering the estimated amount of the State and Federal grants-in-aid of the Project, or the actual amount thereof if this be ascertainable, and the anticipated times of the receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, printing and legal costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, or, be combined with other bonds of the Issuer and such combined issue shall be in the denomination per aggregate maturity of \$1,000 or a whole multiple thereof, be issued in bearer form

or in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the City by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Issuer Officials bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Issuer Officials, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Issuer Officials and be approved as to their legality by Bond Counsel. They shall bear such rate or rates of interest as shall be determined by the Issuer Officials. The issuance of such bonds in one or more series, the aggregate principal amount of bonds to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds shall be determined by the Issuer Officials, in accordance with the Joint Resolution. In the case of Parity Indebtedness as defined in the Joint Resolution between the City of Norwich and the Sewer Authority (as hereinafter defined as the “Joint Resolution”), the Issuer Officials, shall also determine the revenues and property to be pledged for payment of such Parity Indebtedness; or

(ii) temporary notes of the City may be issued in one or more series pursuant to Sections 7-264 and 7-264a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended. The amount of such notes to be issued, if any, shall be determined by the Issuer Officials, and they are hereby authorized to determine the date, maturity, interest rate, form and other details and particulars of such notes, and to sell, execute and deliver the same; or

(iii) sewer assessment notes of the City may be issued in one or more series pursuant to Section 7-269a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended. The amount of such notes to be issued, if any, shall be determined by a majority of the Issuer Officials, and they are hereby authorized to determine the date, maturity, interest rate, form and other details and particulars of such notes, and to sell, execute and deliver the same; or

(iv) interim funding obligations and project loan obligations or any other obligations of the City (hereinafter “Clean Water Fund Obligations”) evidencing an obligation to repay any portion of the costs of the Project determined by the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, Public Health or other department as applicable to be eligible for funding under Section 22a-475 et seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time (the “Clean Water Fund Program”). The General Manager of the Department is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City and the Sewer Authority, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance. The General Manager of the Department is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City and the Sewer Authority, to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State grants for the Project, to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof, and in connection therewith to contract in the name of the Department with engineers, contractors and others. The City may issue Clean Water Fund Obligations in one or more series and in such denominations as the Issuer Officials shall determine, provided that the total of all such Clean Water Fund Obligations, bonds and notes issued and appropriation expended pursuant to this ordinance shall not exceed \$199,200,000. The Issuer Officials are hereby authorized to determine the amount, date, maturity, interest rate, form and other details and particulars of such interim funding obligations and project loan obligations, subject to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Program, and to execute and deliver the same. Clean Water Fund Obligations shall be secured solely from a pledge of sewer system revenues; or

(v) promissory notes, bonds or other obligations made payable to the United States of America to meet any portion of the costs of the Project determined by the federal government, including acting through the Rural Utility Service of the United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) or other federal program or agency, to be eligible for loan and/or grant monies; or

(vi) any combination of bonds, temporary notes, notes, or obligations as set forth in the preceding subsections may be issued, provided that the total, aggregate principal amount thereof outstanding, and including the amount of grant funding obtained pursuant to a Project Grant and Project Loan Agreement, at any time shall not exceed \$199,200,000.

Section 4.

(i) Bonds, temporary notes, or sewer assessment notes, Clean Water Fund Obligations and federal obligations all as set forth in section 3 are hereafter referred to as “Bonds.” The Bonds shall be sewer revenue bonds of the City, the payment of principal and interest on which shall be secured solely by revenues derived from the operation of the sewer system, including use charges, connection charges, benefit assessments or any combination thereof, investment income derived there from, or other property of the sewerage system or revenue derived from the operation of the sewer system in accordance with the Joint Resolution. Each of the Bonds shall recite to the effect that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such Bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, that such Bond does not constitute a general obligation of the City for which its full faith and credit is pledged, and that such Bond is payable solely from revenues, assessments, charges or property of the sewer system specifically pledged therefore.

(ii) The bonds authorized to be issued by section 3 shall be, issued and secured pursuant to the Joint Resolution approved by the City Council on November 21, 1994, and the Sewer Authority on November 22, 1994, as amended, and as supplemented by various supplemental Resolutions adopted pursuant to the Joint Resolution, and which is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved in its entirety, including without limitation, the rate and revenue covenants therein. The Sewer Authority irrevocably agrees to comply with the provisions of the Joint Resolution, including Supplemental Resolutions, including but not limited to: to set, establish and collect and maintain rates and revenue as necessary to continually comply with the terms, conditions and covenants of the General Resolution. The City irrevocably agrees to comply with the provisions of the General Resolution. In order to implement the provisions of the Joint Resolution the City and the Sewer Authority may enter into an indenture of trust with a bank and trust company which indenture may contain provisions customarily included in revenue bond financings, including provisions of a similar nature to those in the Joint Resolution and which are necessary, convenient or advisable in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and their marketability. The Issuer Officials are hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City and the Sewer Authority an indenture in such final form and containing such terms and conditions as they shall approve, and their signatures on any such indenture shall be conclusive evidence of their approval as authorized hereby.

(iii) The Issuer Officials on behalf of the City and the Sewer Authority are authorized to agree to additional terms and to delete or change existing terms and otherwise amend the form of Joint Resolution in order to obtain State or Federal funding, provide better security for the bonds, correct any matter, cure any ambiguity or defect or otherwise benefit the Issuer in their judgment. Such additional or different terms may include restrictions on the use of sewer funds or fund balance or sewer operations, coverage ratios, additional or changed reserve requirements, identification and pledge of revenues securing the Bonds, providing for the form of the Bonds, conditions precedent to the issuance of Bonds and additional Bonds, the establishment and maintenance of funds and the use and disposition there from, including but not limited to accounts for the payment of debt service, the payment of operating expenses, debt service reserve and other reserve accounts, providing for the issuance of subordinated indebtedness, defining an event of default and providing for the allocation of revenues in such event, credit enhancement, providing for a pledge and allocation of sewer revenues to pay for obligations issued by third parties, and provisions of a similar and different nature to those in the Joint Resolution and which are necessary, convenient or advisable in connection with the issuance

of the Bonds and their marketability, and to obtain the benefits of any State or Federal grant or low interest loan program, including but not limited to the Clean Water Fund and Federal Department of Agriculture Programs. The Issuer Officials are hereby authorized, in addition to the General Resolution, to execute and deliver on behalf of the Issuer and the Sewer Authority an indenture of trust in such final form and containing such terms and conditions as they shall approve, and their signatures on any such indenture shall be conclusive evidence of their approval as authorized hereby.

Section 5. The issue of the Bonds aforesaid and of all other bonds or notes of the City heretofore authorized but not yet issued, as of the effective date of this Ordinance, would not cause the indebtedness of the City to exceed any debt limit calculated in accordance with law.

Section 6. Said Bonds shall be sold by the Issuer Officials in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the Bonds shall be sold upon sealed proposals at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest not or true interest cost to the City. If the Bonds are sold by negotiation, the Issuer Officials, are authorized to execute a purchase agreement on behalf of the City and Sewer Authority containing such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate and not inconsistent with this Ordinance.

Section 7. Resolution of Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures with Borrowings. The City of Norwich (the "Issuer") hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and after the date of passage of this Resolution in the maximum amount and for the capital project defined in Section 1 with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Bonds") authorized to be issued by the Issuer. The Bonds shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Issuer hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Comptroller, and General Manager of the City of Norwich Department of Public Utilities or their designee is authorized to pay project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of reimbursement bonds, and to amend this declaration.

Section 8. It is hereby found and determined that it is in the public interest to issue all, or a portion of, the Bonds, Notes or other obligations of the City authorized to be issued herein as qualified private activity bonds, or with interest that is includable in gross income of the holders thereof for purposes of federal income taxation. The Issuer Officials are hereby authorized to issue and utilize without further approval any financing alternative currently or hereafter available to municipal government pursuant to law.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the City Council and its approval by the Sewer Authority.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
Alderman Stacy Gould
Alderman Swarnjit Singh

WHEREAS, the property owners listed below want to participate in a cost sharing program with the City of Norwich to construct concrete sidewalks along their property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich wants to improve sidewalks throughout the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that: granite curbing and concrete sidewalks will be constructed at the following locations where the property owners will pay for an assessment for the cost of the sidewalks and the City of Norwich will pay for the cost of the curbing and miscellaneous items.

Name	Address	Estimate
29 Lincoln Ave LLC	29 Lincoln Avenue	\$6,852.50
WW Realty LLC	31 Fowler Lane	\$3,756.48

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost of this project be funded from the existing capital budget line item for sidewalks, Capital Improvement Fund #3602 and the Sidewalk Fund, #2858.

The estimated city's cost for curbing and miscellaneous construction items is \$ 9,971.39.

President Pro Tem Joseph A. DeLucia
Alderwoman Stacy Gould
Alderman Bill Nash

CITY OF NORWICH
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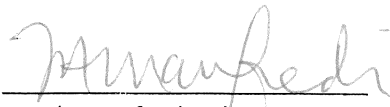
September 11, 2023

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
RE: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$199,200,000 FOR THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT IN THE CITY OF NORWICH, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$199,200,000 REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY SECURED SOLELY BY SEWER REVENUE TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO GRANT AND LOAN AGREEMENTS AND A JOINT RESOLUTION WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT WITH RESPECT THERETO.

The Commission on the City Plan, at a September 11, 2023 Hybrid Special Meeting, reviewed and discussed the above-referenced referral.

Seated were Frank Manfredi, Deane Nason, James Quarto, Ella Myles and Jason Courter

After careful consideration, the Commission voted unanimously to forward a **FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION** for the upgrade of the sewer treatment plant to maintain adequate community facilities as it is in line with the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD).


Frank Manfredi, Chairman

Copies: City Clerk, City Manager, NPU General Manager, Finance Director & City Attorney

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RESOLUTION #1

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Alderwoman Stacy Gould
Alderman Bill Nash

Relative to the approval of the assignment of the Ground Lease and Development Agreement for the Norwich Marina to Patten Marina Holdings LLC

WHEREAS, the JCM Norwich Marina Acquisitions LLC ("JCM") has proposed to assign its rights and obligations under the Ground Lease and Development Agreement for the Norwich Marina to Patten Marina Holdings LLC or related entity ("Patten"); and

WHEREAS, Joshua Pothier, the Comptroller of the City of Norwich has conducted a review of the financial standing of the assignee of the Development Agreement and Lease for the Marina and reported to the council that Patten "is likely to be of sound financial standing sufficient to provide reasonable assurance of being financially able to perform its obligation" thereunder; and

WHEREAS, a closing of the property is expected to take place thirty (30) days after approval of this Resolution; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Norwich that City Manager, John L. Salomone, be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute and deliver on behalf of the city, such consents, certificates and other documentation as he may deem prudent and necessary to document the status of the Marina Ground Lease and the Marina Development Agreement and to consent to their assignment by the JCM to Patten.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Norwich that City Manager, John L. Salomone, be and hereby is authorized and directed to negotiate, execute and deliver on behalf of the city, such agreements and other documentation as he may deem prudent and necessary to effectuate the transition from the current Marina Ground Lease and Marina Development Agreement to new agreements based on the presently existing economic reality with Patten which may include the following:

1. Amending or replacing the current Marina Ground Lease and Marina Development Agreement to include only essential terms (e.g. reasonable public access, provision of slips for City's public safety watercraft, reasonable rent), eliminate aspects that are no longer necessary due to intervening events and the passage of time, and define timeline for improvements by Patten (e.g. remediation of safety concerns, restaurant upgrades, fueling station);
2. An option for Patten to purchase the Premises that is the subject of the Ground Lease ("Premises"), including timing and terms for conveyance;
3. A fixing of the assessment of the Premises pursuant to Norwich Code of Ordinances §7-22 and CGS §§ 12-65c – 12-65e;
4. An assessment deferral for improvements to the Premises and any other properties acquired by Patten which are adjacent to the Premises pursuant to Norwich Code of Ordinances §7-22 and CGS §§ 12-65c – 12-65e or Norwich Code of Ordinances §§7-91 – 7-94 and CGS §32-70; and
5. A cooperative agreement for any environmental cleanup required on the Premises dependent upon the proposed uses identified by Patten.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
President Pro Tem Joseph A. DeLucia
Alderwoman Stacy Gould

RESOLUTION #3

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich has been offered a parcel of property in "as is" condition consisting of approximately 6.24 acres located at 57 Roath Street currently owned by the Estate of Bradford H. Pottle; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Norwich has determined that the acquisition of said property will be a benefit to the City of Norwich; and,

WHEREAS, the Estate of Bradford H. Pottle has offered to sell said property for a purchase price of \$10.00, and reimbursement or payment of the seller's broker commission of \$1,000, and seller's attorney's fees not to exceed \$2,500; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of said property is contingent on Probate Court approval of the sale.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH that: City Manager, John Salomone, be and hereby is authorized to negotiate any additional terms relative to the sale and conveyance by the Estate of Bradford H. Pottle of the property known as 57 Roath Street to the City of Norwich for a purchase price of \$10.00 and payment of a seller broker commission of \$1,000 and the seller's attorneys fee up to \$2,500, and to enter into, execute, receive or deliver an initial purchase and sales agreement for the purchase of 57 Roath Street, satisfactory to him, the sale subject to Probate Court approval, and to use funding from Capital Contingency account 36024113-58600-C2301 towards the purchase of said property and to receive and record a deed satisfactory to him for property after probate court approval and to prepare, execute, receive and deliver such forms, correspondence, and documents as are necessary to complete the transaction.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
President Pro Tem Joseph A. DeLucia
Alderwoman Stacy Gould

RESOLUTION #4

WHEREAS, the Avalonia Land Trust proposes to apply for a grant to purchase approximately 101.37 acres of land located off Old Canterbury Turnpike including the properties identified as 282 Old Canterbury Turnpike, 292 Old Canterbury Turnpike, 300R Old Canterbury Turnpike and 318R Old Canterbury Turnpike; and

WHEREAS, this property, located in Occum, includes a mosaic of habitats, including forested uplands, forested wetlands, meadows, and shrub land that provide a wide range of conditions supporting a diversity of wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition will provide open space near watershed areas, allowing for the protection of water resources; and

WHEREAS, the proposed access point to the property will be from Old Canterbury Turnpike, providing excellent public access, parking, and future trail expansions, some of which will include promising potential for disability access; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated the parcel will support a wide range of passive recreational users, including hikers, cross-country skiers, snowshoe hikers, with potential use by equestrians; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of this property will provide significant benefits to the community, including habitat and water resource protection; and

WHEREAS, the protection of this property is consistent with the Norwich Plan of Conservation and Development, and has been endorsed by the Norwich Commission on the City Plan and the Inland Wetlands, Water Courses, and Conservation Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that it expresses its support for the Avalonia Land Conservancy's Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition (OSWA) Grant Program application for the purchase of 282, 292, 300R, and 318R Old Canterbury Turnpike, and directs that a certified copy of this resolution be promptly provided to the Avalonia Land Conservancy for submission in connection with its application.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
President Pro Tem Joseph A. DeLucia
Alderwoman Stacy Gould

RESOLUTION #5

WHEREAS, the Church of the Divine Providence (Divine Providence Parish) will hold a “Taste of Poland Festival” on Saturday September 23, 2023 from 2:00-6:00 PM at Howard Brown Park located on the Norwich waterfront at 100 Chelsea Harbor Drive, Norwich, Connecticut featuring Dennis Polisky & Maestro’s Men, a Grammy nominated, Polka Hall of Fame band, live music with free admission and parking, with art activities, and authentic Polish food; and

WHEREAS, the organizer, Divine Providence Parish, proposes to make available beer for sale during the festival, the proceeds of the sales of beer and food to be used to support various programs and activities sponsored by the Divine Providence Parish, the sales of beer to be handled by an appropriate licensed and permitted entity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that, pursuant to Section 13.14.2 of the Norwich Code of Ordinances, City Manager John Salomone be and hereby is authorized to grant the Divine Providence Parish permission to sell beer at its “Taste of Poland Festival” to be held on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at the Howard T. Brown Park, subject to satisfactory proof that the Divine Providence Parish has complied with the applicable regulations of the State Liquor Commission; that identification will be mandatory from each person purchasing an alcoholic beverage; that the sales of beer will be made under a proper liquor license, and that proper insurances will be obtained and maintained by the Divine Providence Parish and any vendor of beer for the event.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
Alderman Stacy Gould
Alderman Bill Nash
Alderman Grant Neuendorf

RESOLUTION #6

WHEREAS, public art is art placed in public places for the public including statues, sculptures, and paintings that range in size, form, and scale; and

WHEREAS, the Public Art for Racial Justice Education (PARJE) has proposed to paint a mural on the Greeneville playground wall, the concept design developed by three artists, Samson Tonton, Bart Jeczmienny, and Emida Roller, the work to involve the artists and approximately 40 young people from the Greeneville neighborhood including members of the NAACP Robertsine Duncan Youth Council, and the Blooming Into Greatness Rose City Step Team; and

WHEREAS, the design has been revised following suggestions and comments received at the August meeting of the Public Works and Capital Improvements Committee of the Council of the City of Norwich and is intended to express and recognize in artistic form certain themes including a red rose in recognition of Norwich as the “Rose City”, the sun setting on the dreams of those experiencing poverty, hunger, violence, drugs, and other challenges, a quote from Angela Davis recognizing the desire of youth to make changes for the better in our neighborhoods and the city and a shining light reflecting social justice radiating from hands holding the City of Norwich; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Capital Improvements Committee of the Council of the City of Norwich has recommended approval of this public art.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that it approves the location of the Greeneville playground wall for the mural and requests that the artists and those assisting them coordinate with the City Planner and the Public Works Director as necessary through the duration of the project recognizing that upkeep of the mural will be the sole responsibility of those developing and creating it.

Alderwoman Stacy Gould
Alderman Swarnjit Singh
Alderman Grant Neuendorf
Alderman Bill Nash
Alderwoman Tracey Burto