



AGENDA – MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
April 20, 2020
7:30 PM

The meeting of the Council will seek to comply with the directives of Executive Order 7B-1 issued by Governor Ned Lamont on March 14, 2020, together with any Executive Orders subsequently issued which pertain to such meetings.

The Mayor, members of the City Council, the City Manager, City Clerk, Comptroller and Corporation Counsel shall be present in person but separated by appropriate social distancing at Council chambers or participate remotely by conference call, video conference or other technology.

The meeting shall be televised on the Public Access Channel in real time and posted on the city website, www.norwichct.org, consistent with Executive Order 7B-1 and the usual practices of the City of Norwich. All remarks or comments made by the Mayor, the members of the Norwich City Council, city officials, and by the public during Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and the Citizen Comment on resolutions portion of the meeting, shall be included.

The citizen comment general (30 minutes) and comments of citizen on resolutions may be made telephonically pursuant to the following instructions:

Call phone number first dial 860-215-8140 and then when prompted, enter the conference ID# 4038191 followed by the pound (#) key.

This number will be available only during the citizen comment general (30 minutes) and public comment period listed on the agenda as Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and Citizen Comment on resolutions. Its use commences when Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and Citizen Comment on resolutions is reached and opened by the Mayor. Any calls must be made prior to the Mayor's announcement that the Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and Citizen Comment on resolutions period has ended.

Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and Citizen Comments on resolutions limited to the resolutions on the agenda may also be sent by email or means of other written communication stating the name, address and title if applicable, of the sender. Emails should be sent to the office of the Mayor at mayorsoffice@cityofnorwich.org and other written communication sent or delivered to the office of the Mayor, 100 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360. Emails must be received by 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2020, and other written communications received by 4:30 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2020, to be made available to the City Council for its April 20, 2020 meeting.

Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) any topic concerning the City can be brought forward and Citizen Comments on resolutions will be limited to the resolutions on the agenda only. All speakers taking part in both Citizen Comment General (30 minutes) and Citizen Comment on resolutions portion of the meeting shall clearly state their name and address or title, if applicable, before speaking and will be limited to three minutes.

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN COMMENT GENERAL (30 Minutes)

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter of resignation of Joanne Philbrick from the Zoning Board of Appeals.
2. Letter from the Chairman of Relay for Life-Southeastern Connecticut that the date event has been postponed to a later date.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CITIZENS COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS

NEW BUSINESS-RESOLUTIONS

1. Relative to Governor Lamont's, Executive Order pertaining to temporary tax abatement or interest rate reduction and referral to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM).



City Clerk

PETITION & COMMUNICATION #2

From: GREGORY SCHLOUGH <gaschlough@snet.net>
Date: April 14, 2020 at 8:33:41 PM EDT
To: Peter Nystrom <pnystrom@cityofnorwich.org>
Subject: Relay for Life

Good Evening Mr. Mayor,

I know I sent you an email this morning concerning the date change for Relay for Life of Southeastern CT. What I thought was a new date that had been approved, has now turned into another cancelled date.

This afternoon I heard from our Cancer Society Staff Partner and per the American Cancer Society, they have sent an edict stating that No ACS Events, including Relay for Life, can be held until after June. Therefore, as of now, our Relay for Life has NO date for the Event. I have been in contact with the Stadium and am waiting for a response. I have asked for some time between Mid July and Mid August. Once I know the date, I will forward it to you.

Thank you,
Greg Schlough
2020 Event Chairman
American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Southeastern CT
Phone; (860) 608-2396

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

RESOLUTION #1

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued a declaration of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, proclaiming a state of emergency throughout the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order 7S entitled “Protection of Public Health and Safety during COVID-19 Pandemic and Response – Safe Stores, Relief for Policyholders, Taxpayers and Tenants”: and

WHEREAS, under Section 6 of Executive Order 7S, each municipality shall participate in at least one of two established programs known as the “Deferment Program”, and the “Low Interest Rate Program” and shall notify the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management no later than April 25, 2020, as to in which program or programs the municipality is electing to participate; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2020 Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order 7W which at Section 1(b) provides clarification as to contain time periods established in Section 6 of Executive Order 7S stating:

“Because interest on past due taxes and water, sewer, or electric charges are calculated by the month, not by the day, and principal is typically due on the first of the month, not the tenth, the ninety (90) day periods referred to Executive Order No. 7S, Section 6 are amended to three (3) months, and the references to due dates and delinquency dates on or prior to March 10, 2020 are amended to April 1.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that it hereby elects that the City of Norwich is to participate in the [Program(s)] under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 7S, as clarified by Section 1(b) of Executive Order 7W, and that City Manager John Salomone be and hereby is authorized and directed to provide timely notice of the same to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and to direct, supervise, and carry out as necessary all requirements in the implementation of the Program(s).

**Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom
Alderwoman Stacy Gould
Alderman Joseph A. DeLucia**