

June 7, 2007

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

JUNE 7, 2007

Mayor Pro Tempore, Suzanne Bielinski, called the Special Meeting of the Common Council to order on Thursday, the 7th day of June 2007 at 7:34 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Thirteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Black, Cruz, Rocha, Collins, Catanzaro, Carroll, Hermanowski, Platosz, Kirejczyk, Wyskiewicz, Salvio and Bernacki. One member was absent: Ald. Gostin.

Ald. Gostin arrived just prior to the vote on Resolution 29585-5

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, gave the invocation: O God, our Heavenly Father, please give this Common Council strength to make the proper decisions in adopting a budget that takes care of the needs of our City, but not forgetting the taxpayers who ultimately pay for those needs. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

John McNamara, Chairman of the Democratic Town Committee, led the pledge to the flag.

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, read the Mayor's Warrant.

MAYOR'S WARRANT

TO THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN:

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, you are hereby commanded to notify Mark H. Bernacki, Suzanne Bielinski, Shirley A. Black, Paul D. Catanzaro, John F. Carroll, Tonilynn Collins, Silvia Cruz, Peter J. Gostin, Lawrence J. Hermanowski, Edward J. Kirejczyk, Jr., Adam Platosz, Lori A. Rocha, Louis G. Salvio, Michael W. Trueworthy and James A. Wyskiewicz, Aldermen and Alderwomen of said City, that there will be a Special Meeting of the Common Council on Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 27 West Main Street, City Hall, for the following purposes:

1. To accept a report of the Committee on Administration, Finance and Law regarding General Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Budget appropriation - Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LoCIP).
2. To accept a report of the Consolidated Sub-Committee regarding General Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Budget appropriation - Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LoCIP).
3. To accept a report of the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing regarding General Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Budget appropriation - Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LoCIP).
4. To act upon a Resolution regarding the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.
5. To act upon a Resolution regarding the Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.
6. To act upon a Resolution regarding the Budget Appropriation for Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LoCIP).

HEREOF FAIL NOT, but due service and return make according to law.

Dated at New Britain, this 6th day of June.

Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

A TRUE COPY OF THE MAYOR'S WARRANT

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ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LAW

29583-2

29584-2

**29585-2 RE: MAYOR'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS AND ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
2007-2008
BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS 2007-2012
(LOCIP)**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

The Committee on Administration, Finance and Law at a meeting and public hearing held on Wednesday evening, June 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of the following: Item #29583-1 – Mayor's Proposed General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29584-1 – Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29585-1 – Budget Appropriation for Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LOCIP) voted to accept and recommend that the following report be referred back to the Common Council with a neutral recommendation.

Alderman James A. Wyskiewicz
Acting Chair

Ald. Wyskiewicz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Collins. So voted. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

REPORT OF THE CONSOLIDATED SUB-COMMITTEE

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**29585-3 RE: MAYOR'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS AND ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR
2007-2008
BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS 2007-2012
(LOCIP)**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

The Consolidated Sub-Committee at a meeting and public hearing held on Wednesday evening, June 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of the following: Item #29583-1 – Mayor's Proposed General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29584-1 – Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29585-1 – Budget Appropriation for Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LOCIP) voted to accept and recommend that the following report be referred back to the Common Council with a neutral recommendation.

Alderman Paul D. Catanzaro
Chair

Ald. Catanzaro moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

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29584-4

29585-4 RE: **MAYOR'S PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS AND ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS 2007-2012 (LOCIP)

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

The Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing at a meeting and public hearing held on Wednesday evening, June 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of the following: Item #29583-1 – Mayor's Proposed General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29584-1 – Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; Item #29585-1 – Budget Appropriation for Capital Improvement Projects 2007-2012 (LOCIP) voted to accept and recommend that the following report be referred back to the Common Council with a neutral recommendation.

Alderman James A. Wyskiewicz
Acting Chair

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Wyskiewicz. So voted. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

RESOLUTION

29583-5 RE: **GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2008**

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of New Britain, upon recommendation of the Mayor, the attached estimates of revenue and expenditures, as amended by the Common Council, with all supporting data be the same as hereby made, and for the purpose of meeting said appropriation, a tax of 45.39 mills on the dollar be computed on the basis of a collection rate of 96.6% and the same is hereby laid on the Grand List of October 1, 2006 on all rateable estates and property within the limits of the City of New Britain liable to taxation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all city taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 excluding motor vehicle and personal property which shall be paid on July 1, 2007 and real property taxes shall be due and payable in equal semi-annual installments on the first day of July 2007 and the first day of January 2008 except that any tax of less than Two-Hundred dollars shall be due and payable in full on the first day of July 2007.

If any installments of such tax shall not be paid on or before the first business day of the month next succeeding that in which it shall be due and payable, such installment shall immediately become delinquent and shall be subject to interest at the rate and manner provided in the general statutes. Any taxpayer may pay the total amount of any such tax at the time when the first installment shall be payable and nothing herein shall preclude the payment of the January 1, 2008 installment prior to said 1st due date.

Alderman Michael Trueworthy
Council Majority Leader

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Wyskiewicz. Roll call vote – 12 in favor, 1 opposed. In favor: Ald. Trueworthy, Black, Cruz, Rocha, Collins, Carroll, Hermanowski, Platosz, Kirejczyk, Wyskiewicz, Salvio and Bernacki. Opposed: Ald. Catanzaro. RESOLUTION ADOPTED. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

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RESOLUTION

29584-5 RE: SPECIAL FUNDS AND ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2008

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

RESOLVED, The Common Council of the City of New Britain, upon recommendation of the Mayor, as amended by the Common Council, estimates that the attached listing of income and expenditures for each Special Revenue and Enterprise Fund, as further amended by the Common Council, be adopted for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 as follows:

SPECIAL REVENUE

Stanley Operating Fund {Including Driving Range} (201)	\$ 1,920,848
Cemetery Operating Fund (204)	476,688
Dog Fund (205)	143,016
Sewer Operating Fund (208)	6,296,934
Independent Living Skills (276)	81,265
Youth Service Bureau (278)	316,880
Systems of Care (248)	117,362
Donations Account (283)	30,000
Terrific Toys Program (284)	35,000
Self-Insurance Fund (702)	27,834,540
Self-Insurance Fund (703)	2,180,617
Self-Insurance Fund (704)	193,750

ENTERPRISE FUND

Water Dept.	\$11,812,794
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Alderman Michael Trueworthy
Council Majority Leader

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Collins. Roll call vote – 13 in favor, 0 opposed. In favor: Ald. Trueworthy, Black, Cruz, Rocha, Collins, Catanzaro, Carroll, Hermanowski, Platosz, Kirejczyk, Wyskiewicz, Salvio and Bernacki. RESOLUTION ADOPTED. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

RESOLUTION

29585-5 RE: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION SUMMARY

Article XI of the Charter of the City of New Britain requires the Mayor to present to the Common Council a "Mayor's Proposed Capital Projects Budget". The Capital Projects Budget includes a listing of all proposed capital projects for a six (6) year period with a general description, location and an estimated cost for each proposed activity.

Public Act 87-584, Section 11-44, has created a program referred to as the "Local Capital Improvement Fund" (LoCIP) to provide assistance to Connecticut municipalities for capital activities. For the fiscal year 2007-2008, the State of Connecticut allocated \$964,724 of new monies to New Britain.

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The Mayor evaluated the needs of city departments and identified specific projects for funding through the Local Capital Improvement Program Entitlement XX. Individual grant applications to the State of Connecticut for approval by the Secretary of the Office and Policy and Management is proposed for the below listed projects:

Stadium Drainage and Turf Issues	\$ 150,000
Fairview Cemetery Fencing	100,000
Fire Station 4 – Expand Parking Facilities	84,000
Martha Hart Basketball Courts	205,724
Walnut Hill Equipment Storage	150,000
Walnut Hill Park – WWI Memorial (Fountain)	60,000
Walnut Hill Park – WWI Monument Restoration	155,000
Walnut Hill Park – Pathway to the WWI Monument	20,000
Martha Hart Softball Field	<u>40,000</u>
Total	\$ 964,724

RESOLVED, Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor of the City of New Britain, be authorized to execute all grant documents with the State on behalf of the City for the projects identified herein and,

RESOLVED, the sum of \$964,724 be appropriated within the Special Revenue Fund, LoCIP Fund #213, for the projects specified with the individual expenditure and revenue accounts established for Entitlement XX grant proceeds.

Ald. Michael Trueworthy
Council Majority Leader

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Collins. Roll call vote – 14 in favor, 0 opposed. In favor: Ald. Trueworthy, Black, Cruz, Rocha, Collins, Catanzaro, Carroll, Hermanowski, Platosz, Kirejczyk, Wyskiewicz, Salvio, Gostin and Bernacki. RESOLUTION ADOPTED. Approved June 14, 2007 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk