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REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2008

Mayor Timothy T. Stewart called the Regular Meeting of the Common Council to order on Wednesday, the 11th day of June 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Fourteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Rocha, Sherwood, Platosz Gerratana, Centeno, Black, Cruz, Collins, Catanzaro, Hermanowski, Salvio, Bernacki, and Bielinski.

One member was absent: Ald. Magnuszewski.

Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk gave the invocation: O God, Our Heavenly Father, bless and help this Common Council get through the many important issues before them this evening. Grant that they resolve these matters in a fair and equitable way. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

Michael J. Brett led the pledge to the flag.

Ald. Sherwood said he would be recusing himself on item 30169(5) due to a possible conflict of interest.

Ald. Trueworthy moved to amend the agenda by adding an attachment to 30065-3(L), by moving 30169(5) to the end of the agenda, and by substituting 30170(6), seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor with the exception of Ald. Sherwood, who abstained.

PETITIONS

- 30172 ALD. SALVIO FOR REMOVING A DEAD TREE AT THE CORNER OF LEO STREET AND CORBIN AVENUE. REFERRED TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION.**
- 30173 ALD. CENTENO FOR TRIMMING OF OVERGROWN BRUSH AND DEBRIS CAUSING BLIGHT CONDITIONS LOCATED AT 95 ALEXANDER ROAD. REFERRED TO THE DEPT. OF LICENSES, PERMITS & INSPECTIONS AND THE BOARD OF HEALTH.**
- 30174 ALD. SHERWOOD AND CENTENO FOR A MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL STATING THE PROCESS FOR INITIATING A COMMON COUNCIL INVESTIGATION INTO ACTIONS OF CITY OFFICIALS PURSUANT TO SEC. 4-2(k) OF THE CITY CHARTER. REFERRED TO THE OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL.**

Ald. Trueworthy moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITY CLERK

30155 RE: CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE

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

CLAIMANTS NAME

- Brackett, Carolyn
- Wheeler, Janet L.

Peter J. Denuzze,
City Clerk

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OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

30156 RE: JEFFREY NOLAN V. CITY OF NEW BRITAIN

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

RESOLVED, By the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$120,000.00) be paid to JEFFREY NOLAN and the JANUSZEWSKI, McQUILLAN & DeNIGRIS, LLP, his attorneys, in full settlement of his suit against the City of New Britain, for an amount within the jurisdiction of the Court now pending in Superior Court, Judicial District of Hartford-New Britain, at New Britain, for personal injuries suffered in a slip and fall on the sidewalk in front of 398 South Main Street on December 21, 2006. The plaintiff, 46 years old, alleges he fell on a rise in the concrete slab and as a result of the fall he suffered a fractured right hip which required surgical repair. He has been assessed as having a 13% permanent partial disability of the lower part of his extremity. The plaintiff's medical expenses related to the fall are approximately \$54,000.00.

This recommendation is made upon the advice of City Attorney Irena J. Urbaniak, after a pretrial before the Honorable George Levine, with the approval and consent of Corporation Counsel Gennaro Bizzarro.

This suit is to be withdrawn by the plaintiff without costs to the City of New Britain and settlement is to be made without admission of any liability.

Irena J. Urbaniak
City Attorney

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

30157 RE: LINE ITEM TRANSFERS WITHIN A DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET – 05/21/2008 THRU 06/03/2008

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

In accordance with the city of New Britain ordinance of Article VII – Finance, Section 2-494(c), the following departments have transferred monies from one line item to another within their departmental budget (total department budget has not changed). Each transfer will be continuously numbered from month to month throughout the fiscal year. This report represents the transfers executed by the mayor in accordance with the aforementioned ordinance for the period ending June 3, 2008.

- 33. Department: Finance – Debt Service
From: 001-1710-7003-333 (Public Improvement)
To: 001-1710-7003-310 (Advertising & Printing)
Amount: \$970.00
Brief Explanation: Funds to pay for legal notices involving the refunding of debt – projects no longer open

- 34. Department: Town Clerk – Historic Records Preservation
From: 249-1154-1540-368 (Consulting & Contractural)
To: 249-1154-1540-310 \$ 46.00 (Advertising and Printing)
249-1154-1540-320 \$100.00(Professional Services)
Amount: \$146.00
Brief Explanation: Funds needed due to balance deficit

- 35. Department: Public Works - Sewer
From: 208-0003-1515-110 (Full Time Salaries)
To: 208-0003-1515-111 (Overtime)

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Amount: \$7,500.00
Brief Explanation: Funds needed due to unanticipated increase in number of emergency markouts and sewer blockages

36. Department: Youth Services Bureau
From: 278-1423-4200-310 \$ 750.00 (Advertising & Printing)
278-1423-1931-111 \$1,300.00 (Overtime)
To: 278-1423-4200-113 (Part Time Salaries)
Amount: \$2,050.00
Brief Explanation: Funds needed do to increased client caseload

37. Department: Town Clerk
From: 001-1154-1540-211 (Election Supplies)
To: 001-1154-1540-310 (Advertising & Printing)
Amount: \$1,000.00
Brief Description: Funds needed for June "Notice of a Primary" legal advertising

38. Department: Town Clerk
From: 001-1154-1540-374 \$816.00 (Fees&Memb.Conferences)
001-1154-1540-211 \$409.00 (Election Supplies)
To: 001-1154-1540-111
Amount: \$1,225.00
Brief Description: Funds needed to compensate staff for Common Council meetings and proceedings

Robert Curry
Finance Director

30158 RE: FIRE DEPARTMENT – OPERATIONS OVERTIME

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

The following is a report from the finance department on the utilization of operations overtime: REPORT ON FILE IN TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

Rebecca Salerni
Finance Department

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

30160 RE: ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES MARTHA HART PARK BASKETBALL COURT AND SOFTBALL FIELD

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

The following on-call engineering project has been requisitioned following the award by the Common Council for on-call engineering contracts, Bid #3185, approved at its Regular Meeting of August 10, 2005

Project Name: Martha Hart Park Basketball Court and Softball Field Projects

Vendor: To Design

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Amount: \$14,000.00
Line Item: 213-1800-1863-H68
Requested By Parks and Recreation Department
Scope: To Design will create the needed engineering plans, construction documents, Project cost estimates and bid specifications for this project. These documents include demolition of existing dilapidated basketball courts, planting, grading, restoration, layout, sediment erosion control and lighting of the site. To Design personnel will attend any pre-bid meetings and answer any questions that bidders may have. Once the bids have been submitted to the City, To Design will help in the review process of the submitted bids for compliance with design and bid specifications. After the project has been awarded, To Design will attend any construction meetings with the City and Contractor. To Design will also, review construction schedules, address any field conditions, monitor the project's completion and create a final list of items that need to be completed by the contractor.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

30161 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING COMPUTERS AND PRINTERS – PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTER

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was issued for the following under the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) cooperative purchasing plan:

Supplier	Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
Hewlett-Packard Company Omaha, NE.	HP Design Jet 130 NR Printer	\$1,759.00	1	\$1,759.00
	HP Design Jet T1100 Printer	\$4,988.00	1	\$4,988.00
	HP Compaq DX2400 Microtower Computer	\$ 959.00	2	\$1,918.00
			TOTAL	\$8,665.00

Public Safety Telecommunications Center requested the purchase of Hewlett Packard Computers and Printers utilizing the Western States Contracting Alliance's (WSCA) Contract Award #A63309. The current Telecommunications Center's computers and printers cannot support the printing of needed information which is important for Public Safety. Hewlett-Packard Company is also providing the City of New Britain with a \$1,000.00 rebate for a trade-in of one of the current Telecommunications Center's outdated printers. Funding is available for this purchase in Account Number, 001-1220-2209-442

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

30162 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – FORKLIFT FOR THE WATER DEPT.

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was requested for the following under the State of Connecticut's cooperative purchasing plan:

Supplier	Model	Price
Starlift Equipment Company, Inc. West Haven, CT.	CMP25 Clark Fork Lift	\$20,416.00

The New Britain Water Department, Filter Plant Maintenance and Supply Division, requested the purchase of a new 5000lb lift capacity propane powered forklift to replace their present 1963 forklift that is broken and can no longer be repaired utilizing the State of Connecticut's Contract Award #076PSX0193. Funding is available for this purchase from Account Number 931-0100-1010-X36.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

30163 RE: REPAIR OF ELEVATORS – VARIOUS CITY LOCATIONS – FOR DEPT. OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT AND PARK & REC. DEPT.

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

Public Bid No. 3409 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for the Maintenance and Repairs of Elevators located in various City locations for the Department of Property Management and Park and Recreation Department. Funding is available for this purchase from Account Numbers 001-1511-5128-372, 001-1122-5114-372, 001-1122-5116-372, 001-1123-5512-372, 001-1123-5513-372 and 001-1123-2242-372.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to thirteen (13) Elevator Companies. The Purchasing Agent received three (3) letters from Elevator Companies on the mailing list who indicated they could not provide a response to the bid request. Responses Received ARE ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Facilities Superintendent, Park and Recreation Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Therefore the Facilities Superintendent is recommending that the bid be awarded to Eagle Elevator Company of Hartford, CT who provided the most responsible bid. The lowest bidder, Independent Elevator Company of Coventry, CT has only been in business for two (2) Years and has very limited resources, which includes personnel and references. Eagle Elevator Company has offices in Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts and has maintenance and/or repair agreements for 1,300 elevators.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract and issue a purchase order to Eagle Elevator Company of Hartford, Connecticut, for Maintenance and Repairs of Elevators located at various City locations for a period from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011 at monthly rate of \$2,805.00 per month for City Buildings and a quarterly rate of \$225.00 for various Park locations, per the terms, conditions and specifications of Public Bid No. 3409.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

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30164 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – PAVING OF CITY STREETS – FY 2008-2009 – PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), purchase orders will be requested per attached under the State of Connecticut's cooperative purchasing plan. ATTACHMENT ON FILE IN TOWN CLERKS OFFICE.

The Department of Public Works will be requesting that purchase orders be issued to Costello Industries, Inc of Newington, CT to provide bituminous milling services of City Streets before the paving process, Tilcon Connecticut of New Britain, CT to provide bituminous paving of milled City Streets and to provide bituminous asphalt and other asphalt products to the Public Works Department, Street Division, utilizing the State of Connecticut's Contract Award #08PSX0020 for milling services, #08PSX0106 for paving of City Streets and #08PSX0042 for bituminous asphalt and asphalt products. Funding will be available for these purchases from Account Numbers 008-2910-2615-322 and 008-2910-2615-221.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

30159 RE: TWO SOLAR-POWERED WATER CIRCULATORS – PARKS & RECREATION

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-541 a purchase order has been requested by the Parks and Recreation Department for the purchase of two (2) Solar-Powered Water Circulators. The Water Circulators are needed to control harmful algae in the Stanley Quarter Park Ponds. The manufacturer of these Solar-Powered Water Circulators is a sole source provider.

Supplier	Model	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price
SolarBee, Inc. Dickerson, ND.	SB2500R Solar Powered Water Circulator	2	\$16,075.00	\$32,150.00

The Purchasing Agent has reviewed notarized documentation sent by SolarBee stating that they are an exclusive manufacturer of this equipment and are the sole licensee of this technology. A review of the SolarBee, Inc web site, indicates purchasing of these Solar Water Circulators is only through their Dickerson, ND or regional offices and that they have no dealers. Their website also indicates that Solarbee, Inc has a government patent on this unique Solar Powered Water Circulator. The Purchasing Agent has also been in direct phone contact with the company to verify this information. Bid solicitation for the purchase of these Solar Powered Water Circulators would not be beneficial to the City when no other company other than SolarBee, Inc can provide a bid for these Solar Powered Water Circulators. Funding for the purchase of these Solar Powered Water Circulators is available from account 219-1511-5110-A55.

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Resolved: that the Purchasing Agent be and hereby authorized to issue a purchase order to SolarBee, Inc of Dickerson, ND for the purchase of Two (2) Solar-Powered Water Circulators at a total quoted price of \$32,150.00

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

Ald. Rocha moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, ZONING AND HOUSING

30064-3 RE: CHANGE OF ZONE – DELETING THE B-4 DISTRICT AND ADDING IN ITS PLACE THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CBD)

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

The Common Council as the Zoning Authority of the City of New Britain gave due and legal notice of a time and place for a public hearing in reference to Item #30064 – To amend the Zoning Map to expand the B-4 Zone (Central Business), as presented in the attached zone change map. Said hearing was held on Tuesday evening, June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 27 West Main Street, New Britain, Connecticut

The City Plan Commission, at its regular meeting held on May 5, 2008 voted 5 to 1 to recommend the approval of the proposed zone change.

The Common Council as the Zoning Authority of the City of New Britain voted to accept as amended the following proposed zone change to the Zoning Map and refer back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

To amend the Zoning Map and to delete the B-4 District and add in its place the Central Business District (CBD), as presented in the attached zone change map.

Alderwoman Siliva J. Cruz
Chair

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted.
Ald. Rocha and Ald. Centeno recused themselves and did not vote. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30065-3 RE: AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCES REVISING 170: B-4 DISTRICT (CENTRAL BUSINESS) AND RELATED SUBSECTIONS

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

The Common Council as the Zoning Authority of the City of New Britain gave due and legal notice of a time and place for a public hearing in reference to Item #30065 – To amend the Zoning Ordinances by adopting the attached revisions to Section 170: B-4 District (Central Business) and related subsections, as presented in the attached pages. Said hearing was held on Tuesday evening, June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 27 West Main Street, New Britain, Conn.

The City Plan Commission, at its regular meeting held on Monday evening, May 5, 2008 voted 5 to 1 to recommend the approval of the amendment.

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The Common Council as the Zoning Authority of the City of New Britain voted to accept as amended the following amendment to the Zoning Ordinances and refer back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

To amend the Zoning Ordinances by adopting the attached revisions to Section 170:B-4 District (Central Business) and related subsections, as follows:

- 1.) Wherever it states B-4 District on pages 1-9 in the Zoning Ordinances of the City of New Britain therefore be changed to Central Business District (CBD).
- 2.) To refine proposed subsection 170-10-220 that prohibits first floor residential uses on Main Street and Chestnut Street to prohibit first floor residential on Main Street/~~North Main Street~~-Franklin Square to Beaver Street; Chestnut Street-Columbus Boulevard to Arch Street; West Main Street-Main Street to High Street; Columbus Boulevard-Washington Street to Bank Street; Bank Street-Main Street to Columbus Boulevard; and Arch Street-Main Street to West Pearl Street”.
- 3.) Under new section 170-100 Design Guidelines, three new subsections are recommended:

“170-100-50 Development Parcel Layout and Enclosure – ~~Within these areas of the project area designated for new development.~~ For any new development within the area, the layout should through the location and design of pedestrian and vehicular access ways create pedestrian friendly attractive environments.”

“170-100-60 Street Facing Building Wall – The minimum height of building facing the street shall be three stories in order to create downtown environment of an appropriate urban scale.”

“170-100-70 Location of Parking Areas – ~~Within new development areas,~~ For any new development within the area, no surface parking shall be in an area defined as the front yard.”

- 4.) “170-10-220 Multi-family structures. ~~Add~~ The frontage of any structure on Main and Chestnut Streets shall not permit residential units at the street level.”
- 5.) “170-50-90.10 The off-street parking space requirements stipulated in this section shall be automatically waived for properties located within a Municipal Parking District. ~~except for residential uses permitted by special exception in the B-4 district.~~ At least 1.5 space per dwelling unit must be provided on the same parcel or in a parking structure or lot reserved for the dwelling unit. Said District shall be established by the City Plan Commission, with the approval of the Common Council and the bounds thereof may be amended by action of those bodies from time to time. {Approved 11-21-86, Item #17459-1}

Alderman Silvia J. Cruz
Chair

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted.

Ald. Rocha and Ald. Centeno recused themselves and did not vote. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30064-4 RE: CITY PLAN REPORT REGARDING CHANGE OF ZONE – FROM B-4 TO CBD - CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICTS.

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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 regular meeting held on Tuesday evening, June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of Item #30064 Report of the City Plan Commission -Change zone of properties now variously zoned B-3, A-3, T, I-2 and OP voted to accept and recommend that the following report be referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderwoman Silvia J. Cruz
Chair

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted.
Ald. Rocha and Ald. Centeno recused themselves and did not vote. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30065-4 RE: CITY PLAN REPORT REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCES – REVISING SEC. 170: B-4 CENTRAL BUSINESS DIST.

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 regular meeting held on Tuesday evening, June 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of Item #30065 Report of the City Plan Commission - An amendment to the Zoning Ordinances to amend Section 170: B-4 Central Business District Zone and Related Sections voted to accept as amended and recommend that the following report be referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderwoman Silvia J. Cruz
Chair

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bernacki. So voted.
Ald. Rocha and Ald. Centeno recused themselves and did not vote. Approved 6/16/08 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

Ald. Rocha and Ald. Centeno returned to the chambers.

**NEW BUSINESS
RESOLUTIONS**

30165 RE: STATE DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH GRANT – STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS - \$14,430 FOR STD PROGRAM.

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:

Program Objective: minimizing the risk of spreading sexually transmitted diseases through awareness, identification, treatment and intervention. Grant funded personnel perform services within the Health Department and throughout the City of New Britain in order to promulgate the program plan. The initial year of grant funding was July 1980.

Local Program Operation Department: Health, under the supervision of the Director.

Resolution Purpose: to provide notification that the grant has been continued through June 30, 2009 and to approve receipt of funding.

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WHEREAS, the control of sexually transmitted diseases remains a core public health function in the City of New Britain; and

WHEREAS; the New Britain Board of Health runs a Sexual Health Center which has conducted prevention and control programs for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) for many years; and

WHEREAS; the State Department of Public Health has notified the City that funding comprised of State and Federal funds, is being provided at \$14,430 for fiscal year 2008-2009 due to this new arrangement; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that The Mayor be authorized to sign any necessary and appropriate agreements in order to secure the use of such funds for said program; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Special Revenue Fund, STD Control Program #2008-0058, be amended at this time for the purpose of recording all income and expenditure activity and reflect an authorized expenditure budget of \$14,430 and an anticipated income from the State of Connecticut of \$14,430 for fiscal year 07/01/08 through 06/30/09.

Revenues:	FY 2008/09	
280-0500-0505-023	St of CT	\$ 14,430.00
Expenditures:		
280-1427-4202-113	P/T Salaries	\$ 12,848.00
280-1427-4202-119	Fringes	\$ 183.00
280-1427-4202-113	Administration	\$ 1,000.00
280-1427-4202-200	Materials & Expenses	\$ 289.00
280-1427-4202-374	Fees & Membership	\$ 110.00
	Total Expenditures	\$ 14,430.00

Alderman Adam Platosz
Liaison – Health Department

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30166 RE: INDIVIDUAL AND AGGREGATE STOP-LOSS COVERAGE WITH ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD.

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:

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield provides the City and Board of Education third party administrative services for the City's Traditional and Century Preferred medical self-insurance program. Included within these expenditures are premiums paid by the City to Anthem for "Individual Stop-Loss" insurance coverage of \$150,000 of total annual claims per individual life and an "Aggregate Stop-Loss" of 125%, insurance to protect against excessive total group claims. This is a percentage of claims amount in excess of the expected claims amount for the entire fiscal year.

Specifically, under the individual stop-loss the City pays for all medical claims utilization up to \$150,000 per life, per year. If such an individual's claims breach this amount, Anthem pays 100% of the benefits above \$150,000. Aggregate stop-loss coverage provides reimbursement to the City if total claims for a fiscal year breach 125% of expected claims. Our projected annual premium for both coverages in fiscal year 2008-2009, is approximately \$1,035,000.

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For fiscal year 2008-2009, the City and BOE believe an increase in premiums for the \$150,000 stop-loss level are cost prohibitive as compared to claims experience. Raising the stop-loss level to \$200,000 will increase the City's claims exposure but will drop the annual individual stop loss premium from approximately \$925,000 to \$646,000 for an approximate savings of \$279,000.

For fiscal year 2008-2009, the City and BOE also believe the "aggregate stop-loss" insurance cost of approximately \$110,000 is also cost prohibitive. Historically, the City has faired better than 100% of expected claims and to reach a 125% of claims is possible but highly unlikely.

Therefore, Be It Resolved; the City of New Britain and Board of Education seek an increase if the "individual stop-loss" coverage with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield from the current \$150,000 level to a \$200,000 level for an approximate premium savings of \$279,000 and dropping the "aggregate stop-loss" in total for the additional savings of approximately \$110,000.

Alderman Adam Platosz
Liaison - Civil Service

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30167 RE: ST. MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH CARNIVAL/FESTIVAL – AUG. 15, 2008 – AUG. 17, 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 that the Mayor be hereby authorized to issue to the Saint Mary Roman Catholic Church said license as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22 of the Code of Ordinances for the period of August 15-17, 2008 for the purposes of conducting carnival/festival on the Saint Mary Roman Catholic Church grounds (544 Main Street).

Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski

Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and refer to the License Committee, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved 6/16/08 by Mayor Timothy T. Stewart.

30168 RE: THE PROPOSED SALE OF 1 AND 11 ANN STREET AND 18 AND 24 SEXTON STREET TO HARTFORD AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

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:

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain is committed to the revitalization of its neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain owns vacant lots known as 1 and 11 Ann Street and 18 and 24 Sexton Street; and

WHEREAS, Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity (HAHFH), a regional community organization that is dedicated to increasing affordable housing and homeownership opportunities for low and moderate income families through sweat equity and volunteer labor that has had multiple successful projects here in New Britain, wishes to purchase this lot for a building project to place three single family homes on this site; and

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain has received a request for transfer of this property from HAHFH for Twenty Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000.00) and other valuable consideration; and

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WHEREAS, The City of New Britain is interested in encouraging affordable housing, homeownership, improvement in our NRZ areas and increasing its taxable Grand List; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of New Britain a purchase and sales agreement with Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity for the properties known as 1 and 11 Ann Street and 18 and 24 Sexton Street and to execute any and all documents necessary for the conveyance of said properties in accordance with the terms of said agreement at a sale price of not less than \$22,000.00.

Alderman Louis G. Salvio
Minority Leader

Ald. Salvio moved to accept and adopt, seconded by ald. Bernacki.
Ald. Hermanowski moved to amend the motion from "accept and adopt" to accept and refer to the Committee and Planning, Zoning and Housing", seconded by Ald. Sherwood.
Amendment carried with Ald. Salvio and Ald. Bernacki opposed.
Original motion as amended carried with Ald. Salvio and Ald. Bernacki opposed.

RESOLUTION REFERRED. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30170 RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SEC. 2-531 AND 2-538 OF THE ORDINANCES REGARDING COOPERATIVE PURCHASING.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT ON FILE IN TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

Ald. Catanzaro moved to accept and refer to the Committee on Administration, Finance and Law, seconded by Ald. Gerratana. So voted. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

30171 RE: AMENDING THE YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE LINE ITEMS BY AND ADDITIONAL \$527.00

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: This resolution amends the amount of State Department of Education revenue received for the New Britain Youth Service Bureau from \$72,244 to \$72,771 and also amends the expenditure line item of the additional \$527.

WHEREAS; the Youth Service Bureau receives state funding for its operation direct service and administration of programs that benefit resident children and families; and

WHEREAS; the Youth Service Bureau has received an additional amount of \$527 during the current fiscal year, raising the SDE revenue amount from \$72,244 to \$72,771; and

WHEREAS; the additional funds must be accounted for both in revenue and expenditure line items; THEREFORE BE IT NOW

RESOLVED; that the City of New Britain Finance Department is hereby authorized to amend the Youth Service Bureau revenue line item 278-0500-4215-023 from \$72,244 to \$72,771; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED; that the Finance Department amend expenditure account 278-1423-4200- 375 from \$2,800 to \$3,327 to account for expenditures throughout the end of the current fiscal year.

Alderwoman Silvia J. Cruz

June 11, 2008

Ald. Cruz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved June 16, 2008 by Timothy T. Stewart, Mayor

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt Resolution 30169, seconded by Ald. Bielinski.
Ald. Sherwood recused himself due to a possible conflict of interest.

30169 RE: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL 1303 – TECHNICAL

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:

WHEREAS, The City of New Britain and Local 1303 have concluded negotiations and reached a tentative agreement for a collective bargaining agreement covering the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Local 1303 members have ratified the tentative agreement; and

WHEREAS, Action is required by the Common Council of the City of New Britain in accordance with Ordinances of the City of New Britain and Connecticut General Statutes; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the proposed agreement between the City of New Britain and Local 1303 be and hereby is approved by the Common Council of the City of New Britain.

Alderman Adam Platosz

Ald. Trueworthy moved the Council enter into Executive Session to discuss the resolution and that the Mayor, the Corporation Counsel, and the Personnel Director accompany them. Motion seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Roll call vote – all members present voted in favor. Executive Session began at 8:00 p.m.

The Council voted to return to order at 8:16 p.m. on motion of Ald. Trueworthy, seconded by Ald. Bielinski.

Resolution accepted and adopted by voice vote.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Bernacki moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Salvio. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk