

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
CONTRACTS COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

**ATTENDANCE:** Richard DeJesus, Co-chair; Richard Paoletto; Alfredo Castillo;  
Susan Brannelly

**OTHER:** Rick Torres, Council Member; Mark Anastasi, City Attorney;  
Joseph Gaudett, Police Chief; Thomas McCarthy, City Council  
President (6:40 P.M.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 P.M. by Chairman DeJesus. There was a quorum present.

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2014.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE  
MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2014 AS SUBMITTED.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**159-13 PROPOSED LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GJS PROPERTIES, LLC FOR  
BRIDGEPORT POLICE PARKING LOCATED AT 205-245 CONGRESS  
STREET.**

Police Chief Gaudett came forward to speak on item 159-13. He said that the contract that was being discussed had been implemented before in 2008 and was now up for renewal on a 5-year basis. The contract allowed the police to park cars in the lot and allowed them to utilize three sets of police vehicles on a rotating basis to increase the warrantee of the vehicles. The rotating schedule of cars has been a great help according to the Police Chief.

Council Member Brannelly asked for more detail about the prior agreement and the fee associated with the agreement. Police Chief Gaudett said that the fee was \$40,000 and provided an outline of the parking plan and how it had worked during the prior contract and stated it would cost less than \$1.50 a day per-car for the police to park in the lot

Council Member Torres asked if it was possible to purchase the property. Police Chief Gaudett said that the current owner had no interest in selling the property and emanate domain seizure would not be possible. Council Member Torres then displayed an aerial view of the lot on his laptop. Chief Gaudett gave the committee a quick overview of the capacity of the lots.

Attorney Anastasi stated that negotiations for this agreement have been underway for over a year. Attorney Anastasi said that there would be no loss of benefits by upgrading to a lease and future acquisition could still be discussed.

Several questions were asked about what the fee would cover. Attorney Anastasi reviewed the terms for the committee. Chairman DeJesus said that it was important to their interests to see if it would be possible to acquire the property at a future date.

*Council President McCarthy joined the meeting at 6:40 P.M.*

Council Member Paoletto stated that he was in favor of the vote, but thought that the committee should seek to find another method of dealing with the property. Attorney Anastasi said that he would pass along to the administration that the committee would be interested in finding a way to purchase the property.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 159-13 AS SUBMITTED.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**95-13 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CITY ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AS PART OF THE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB LOCATED AT 555 MADISON AVENUE.**

Council President McCarthy came forwards to speak on item 95-13. He stated that the current owners of the lot were not interested in running the club but desired to remain part of its processes. This would involve a largely public process to decide what their involvement would be and how they would maintain services to the youth. Council President McCarthy then pointed to two separate models, one where one group runs the building and one where a large group with several other organizations would be in charge, as potential examples of what might happen. Council President McCarthy stated that the resolution was fine by him.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 95-13 AS SUBMITTED.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**147-13 PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAND SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR INLAND WETLANDS CONSULTANT**

There was no one present to discuss item 147-13.

**158-13 PROPOSED MASTER MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR RIGHTS OF WAY PROJECTS WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

Attorney Anastasi stated that item 158-13 was a continuation of a series of documents with the DOT for the purpose of getting all of the 'boiler plate language' agreed to up front for an upcoming PAL project. Each PAL project would come to the council for approval.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO MOTIONED TO APPROVE ITEM 158-13 AS SUBMITTED.**
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**147-13 PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAND SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR INLAND WETLANDS CONSULTANT- CONT'D.**

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOTIONED TO TABLE ITEM 147-13.**
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANNELLY MOTIONED TO ADJOURN.**
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO SECONDED THE MOTION.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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