

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
CITY COUNCIL  
CONTRACTS COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2010  
6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: Council members: Paoletto; co-chair, Silva; co-chair, Holloway,  
T. McCarthy (sat in to make a quorum)

NON-COMMITTEE: Council member Walsh

OTHER(S): M. Feeney, Chief Financial Officer; A. Kelly-Lenz, Tax Collector  
J. Ricci, Airport Manager

Co-chair Paoletto called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

**50-09** Assignment of Tax Liens for fiscal year 2010.

Ms. Lenz explained that this item was pursuant to the state statute to sell liens that are normally sold during the month of June and put forth to go out to bid. She clarified that the liens consisted of the entire package and not individual liens.

Council member Walsh said he heard a rumor that some people were buying liens themselves before they go out for bulk tax lien sales. Ms. Lenz stated that they are always done in bulk, not by the individual. She explained that she lists all the properties and if they are paid between that time and the sell date, the matter then goes primarily through the Tax Collector's office.

Council member Walsh questioned if Ms. Lenz would know if a third person party had purchased a lien. Ms. Lenz said she would be aware of that if it happened. She reiterated that the liens are not sold to individuals, they are only sold in bulk.

Council member Walsh asked if there was some type of affirmative statement made to indicate that the liens are sold. Ms. Lenz said a final list is generated during May. She further noted that the lien sale is done twice per year during April and June.

Mr. Feeney added that a company could cherry pick a lien, but at the end of the day, they may have a list of properties that haven't been sold. However, the liens are never cherry picked.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA MOVED TO APPROVE**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER McCARTHY SECONDED**

**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*Consent calendar**

**54-09** Proposed agreement between the City of Bridgeport and The State of Connecticut regarding State Project No: DOT00150347PE for final design and permitting for the realignment of Main Street (Route 113) at Igor I. Sikorsky Memorial Airport.

Mr. Ricci stated that this item was before the city council on December 21, 2009 – *he submitted a copy of the resolution that read:*

**RESOLVED,** That the attached Agreement between the City of Bridgeport and The State of Connecticut regarding State Project No: DOT00150336PE for final design and permitting for the realignment of Main Street (Route 113) at Igor I. Sikorsky Memorial Airport, be and it hereby is, in all respects, approved, ratified and confirmed.

Mr. Ricci said it was realized by the state that they put the wrong project # on the document, but it was corrected. When it was forwarded to the Attorney General's office, it was suggested that he come back before the committee to make the correction official.

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER McCARTHY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CORRECTION  
\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLOWAY SECONDED  
\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**\*Consent calendar**

**\*It was noted that Public Facilities was not directly involved with the details of this item per Council member Holloway.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER HOLLOWAY MOVED TO ADJOURN  
\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA SECONDED  
\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Graham  
Telesco Secretarial Services