

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2010**

ATTENDANCE: Susan T. Brannelly, Co-chair; Manny Ayala, Richard Bonney,
M. Yvette Brantley

OTHERS: Council Member Robert Curwen

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Brannelly called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2010

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2010 AS SUBMITTED.**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

118-09 Resolution to recommend the transfer of selected City streets to the State of Connecticut.

Council Member Curwen said that he has been working on ways to reduce the costs for the City. During his analysis, he realized that Bridgeport maintains a number of roads in the City that are State roads. By transferring the maintenance of the roads back to the State, it would reduce the costs for the City. He added that State Senator Don Clemmons was ready to bring a resolution about this before the Legislature. Council Member Curwen contacted Mr. Nidoh and requested information on this process along with information about which streets might be State roads.

Mr. Nidoh compiled a list of six streets as possible candidates for potential transfers. Mr. Nidoh reminded everyone in his written comments that there had been attempts to turn roads over to the State previously, but the CT Department of Transportation had not been interested. The written back up Mr. Nidoh provided also included a list of Bridgeport streets that are already State roads (CT Route 1; Route 59; Route 127, etc.) Council Member Curwen said that he would like to see an ad hoc committee formed to research this subject.

The discussion then moved to whether or not the currently existing esplanades would be acceptable to the State. Council Member Curwen said that when streets that have

esplanades have been turned over to the State, the usual agreement is that the City is required to maintain the esplanade.

Council Member Brannelly said that she would like to have this item tabled until Mr. Eversley and Mr. Nidoh could be here to answer questions and participate in strategy discussions. Council Member Ayala said that he felt it would be good to table the issue until more information was available.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BONNEY MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 118-09
RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THE TRANSFER OF SELECTED CITY
STREETS TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER AYALA SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Soltes
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