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Chelsea, Massachusetts May 23, 2016

A Regular meeting of the Chelsea City Council was held. The meeting was held at the Chelsea City Hall located at 500 Broadway Chelsea, Massachusetts. The following Councilors were present: Councilors Frank, Vidot, Rodriguez, Murphy, Lopez, Tejada, Garcia, Avellaneda, Cortell, and Robinson. Councilor Recupero was absent. Council President Cortell presided over the meeting. The meeting opened at 7:00 P.M.

Memoriums and celebratory resolutions:

The following Resolution was introduced by Councillor Robinson. Councillor Robinson moved to adopt the Resolution under suspension and it was adopted.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On May 7, 2016, the Chelsea Pride Cheer Team traveled over twelve hours to compete against the top teams from Maryland, and performed with expertise to be crowned 2016 U.S. National Finals Champions, and

WHEREAS, the journey that made this event possible started on April 23, 2016 at the Jamfest National Competition at Six Flags New England, and

WHEREAS, the competition against teams from New York, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts did not deter Chelsea Pride Cheerleaders from placing 1st in their division and named overall Grand Champions, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Citizens of Chelsea, we the Members of the Chelsea City Council, congratulate the Chelsea Pride Cheerleaders and their coaching staff for making Chelsea residents very proud of their accomplishments.

Public Speaking:

The public speaking portion of the meeting opened at 7:15 p.m.

The following came forward to speak:

L. Diaz 154 Central Avenue, spoke about drug problems in Chelsea.

Resident 13 Orange Street, spoke in favor of the Community Preservation Act

M. Colly 150 Captains Row, spoke in support of the Community Preservation Act

Resident of 103 Orange Street, would like the Methadone Clinic moved out of the City. Also in support of the Community Preservation Act.

Member of the Chelsea Collaborative, wanted the Meth. Clinic closed.

Member of the Neighborhood Development, supports the Community Preservation Act.

Mr. Martinez Chelsea Resident, supports the Community Preservation Act.

Mrs. Martinez Chelsea Collaborative, supports the Community Preservation Act.

Ms. Judy Muse Chelsea Collaborative, supports the C.P.A.

Resident of 133 Essex Street, supports the Community Preservation Act.

The public hearing closed at 7:45 p.m.

The minutes of the City Council Meeting dated May 9, 2016 were approved at the request of Councillor Frank under suspension.

Communications from City Manager:

The following communication was received from City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. A motion from Councillor Robinson moved the communication to a Sub-Committee on Conference under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Hall
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: *Public Safety 10 Point Plan Update*

Dear Councilors:

At the May 16, 2016 budget meeting, the City Council inquired about the status of the components of the 10 Point Public Safety Plan which the Council adopted in early 2014. Set forth below is a status. A copy of the original 10 Point Plan is attached.

1. Match Funding for 5 Police Officers

This was implemented. The City is currently providing matching funds for 10 grant-funded police officers. The current budgeted contingent is 111 sworn officers. Unfortunately, due to attrition and the limited availability of slots in police academies, the City has not yet been able to fill the 111 budgeted positions. I do hope to reach the full contingent of 111 budgeted officers sometime in FY17. Once that contingent is reached, we can assess whether further officers are necessary and whether we should explore grant opportunities for additional personnel.

2. Establish Permanent Street Robbery Task Force

This was implemented. The Street Robbery Task Force is active on a permanent basis 5 nights per week.

3. Increase Walking Patrols

This was implemented in FY16. Overtime funding is proposed in FY17 to further enhance existing walking patrols. If approved by the City Council, the Police will have two specific walking patrols every day for the months of Jul.-Oct. and Apr.-Jun.: a two officer patrol around City Hall and the Bellingham Square neighborhood from 7:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m.; and a single officer patrol along the Broadway Corridor from 11:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

4. Extend the Safe and Successful Youth Initiative

This program targeted at youth between the ages of 14-24 is grant funded by the Commonwealth. It is a collaboration between the City and ROCA. Because the Commonwealth's funding was uncertain, the City set aside \$221,000 in appropriated funds to backfill in the event state grant funding ended. The City has proposed similar SSI emergency funding in FY17.

5. More Officers with Casino Impact Funds

Casino funding will not materialize until the casino commences operation. However, at this point, we have budgeted for a contingent of 111 sworn officers. That may be sufficient. See No. 1 above.

6. Finance Purchase of Home Security Cameras

This has not been implemented. However, given the level of Council support, I will work with the Dept. of Planning & Development to create a pilot program in FY17. The City previously set aside some funds for such a pilot, and that money will be utilized in FY17.

7. Support Crime Free Zone for Downtown

This has been implemented. On appropriate occasions, the police work with the local District Attorney and Probation Dept. in Chelsea District Court to secure Judicial Orders requiring certain defendants to "Stay Away" from Bellingham Square and the Downtown as a specific condition of probation.

8. Fund 2 Community Navigators

This has been implemented. In addition to a contract with North Suffolk Mental Health for the two Navigators, the Council has approved wrap-around contract services for “emergency Food and Housing” with CAPIC and for “Clinical Treatment on Demand” with BayCove. The proposed FY17 Budget continues funding for these programs and proposes new funding for a 3rd Adult Navigator and a Youth Navigator.

9. Hire Civilian Crime Watch Analyst

Implemented. This was funded by the City Council. An analyst was recently hired and commences work in June.

10. Fund a Prostitution Prevention & Intervention Task Force

Not yet implemented. Funding for this effort is included in the FY17 Budget. The goal will be an RFP for services to assist individuals caught up in the sex trade industry, focusing specifically on hot spots in the City where prostitution is an ongoing problem.

To the extent funding is necessary to advance these ten initiatives, it is included in the FY17 Budget. No further financial resources are necessary at this time.

The following communication was received from City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. A motion from Councillor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Hall
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts, 02150

Re: *Resolution Request for PARC Grant*

Dear Councilors:

As many of you know, each year the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (“EOEEA”) hosts a competitive grant program entitled the Parkland Renovation and Acquisitions for Communities (“PARC”). Annually, the City of Chelsea, through the Department of Planning and Development, applies for funding to renovate existing park and recreation spaces, or to build new open spaces that contribute to the environmental equity, quality of life and public health of our residents. Chelsea has been fortunate that EOEEA has generously funded a multitude of open space and recreation projects in our community for over a decade.

The requirements of the PARC grant program include the following: 1) that the land be dedicated as “open space in perpetuity,” per Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution or will be following acquisition; 2) the recipient municipality devote matching funds for the project, which in Chelsea is only a required 30% match; 3) the municipality continually maintain parks and recreational

facilities that were renovated or constructed with PARC grant funds; and 4) the municipality maintain an updated, state-approved Open Space and Recreation Plan.

As you know, the City owns Highland Park, a dedicated open space situated at 31 Willow St. that provides playing fields, basketball courts, a playground area and a children's area with a water feature. In past years, the City has undertaken renovations to the athletic fields and playground. However, through dialogue with residents and correspondence with users of the basketball courts, it is evident that the courts warrant refurbishment. The basketball hoops and backboards are outdated, requiring constant repair, the lighting system is antiquated and environmentally inefficient, and the surfacing is in poor condition. Additionally, the adjacent seating area and children's areas with water feature also contain elements which could be drastically improved.

The City desires to make this basketball court portion of Highland Park the focus of our next PARC grant application. Toward that end, the City is commencing a public process with neighborhood residents to design improvements to this section of the park that would meet the needs of the residents, user groups of the facilities and the community as a whole. Tentatively, the Department of Planning and Development has scheduled a community meeting to discuss the proposed improvements on Tues. June 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 101 at Chelsea City Hall.

With the City Council's approval, the City will prepare a grant proposal for this project. The deadline is July 13, 2016. The grant application will be based on a conceptual design plan which will result from the community meeting, public conversations and stakeholder input prior to the grant submission date. If the project is selected for funding, the City will be notified around November. We will then be expected to complete the final design and construction drawings by June 30, 2017. Under the terms of the PARC program, construction would be allowed to start in July, 2017 and all work must be completed by June, 2018 due to the fiscal year regulations governing state finance.

With respect to funding, the process works as follows. If the grant is awarded to Chelsea, the State will reimburse 70% of the cost of the park, up to a maximum state share of \$400,000. However, the PARC grant is a reimbursement grant. This means that the City expends the funds for the project and then requests reimbursement from the Commonwealth. Further, the PARC regulations require that before the Commonwealth will execute the PARC grant, the City must appropriate the full amount of the project cost. So, if our grant application is successful, I will be returning to the City Council to seek full funding for the project, likely sometime in the Winter.

For your convenience, I have attached a Resolution to endorse this grant submission. The Resolution authorizes the City staff to submit the grant application, authorizes me to enter into contracts for the grant and completion of the project, and, if successful in receipt of the grant, limits the site of open space/residential use in perpetuity. The Council's endorsement of the Resolution is a requirement of the grant application. Because Highland Park is recommended for improvement in our Open Space and Recreation Plan and referenced throughout our Waterfront Visioning process, the City believes that the project has an excellent chance of being funded under the PARC grant program.

For all of the above reasons, I respectfully ask that the Council approve the attached Resolution and allow the City to proceed with this PARC application for Highland Park.

The following communication was received from City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. A motion from Councillor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Hall
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: *Financial Requests*

Dear Councilors:

I am writing with two separate financial related requests.

First, I am requesting that the City Council fund certain Fiscal Year 2016 appropriation deficits from Free Cash. These are accounts that do not have sufficient funds to last through the end of the fiscal year. Such year-end deficits are typical in every municipality as estimates regarding needs prove inaccurate.

As we move toward the close of the fiscal year, there will be similar deficits to address in other accounts. But, rather than lumping all these requests together at the very end of the year, I have decided to advance some as they become known to me.

Second, I have a request from the School Department to create a revolving account for Non-Resident Tuition payments. This request, described more fully below, requires City Council approval.

Here are the specifics.

1. Assessor Department – Legal Services - \$6,000 Supplement

The Assessor Department is managing a full portfolio of abatement cases before the Appellate Tax Board that are the result of cases that were not processed during the vacancy of the Assessor position. The cases are working their way through the ATB's legal process. Several trials are scheduled for June. We expect the original budget of \$7,000 is insufficient to cover the legal expenses and request a supplemental appropriation of \$6,000.00.

2. Human Resources Department – Medical Services - \$9,000.00 Supplement

The Human Resources Department is responsible for processing applicants to the Police and Fire Departments, including the required pre-employment, drug testing and physiological testing. During Fiscal Year 2016, the HR Department has processed more Police candidates than the

budget anticipated. Only five new candidates were anticipated, but the Police Department has actually proceeded with 12-15 candidates. As a result, the \$10,000 budget is insufficient to cover the expenses. We request a supplemental appropriation of \$9,000.

3. Law Department – Outside Legal Services - \$11,000 Supplement

The Law Department has an appropriation account for the hiring of outside legal counsel for cases and controversies that require expertise or resources beyond our in-house capability. This past year, there were more of these cases than anticipated, including the need to expend sums on outside counsel to assist with the upcoming cable television renewal contract for Comcast. The original budget of \$45,000 is short by approximately \$11,000. I ask for a supplemental appropriation in this amount.

4. School Department – Mom-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund

On May 5, 2016, the Chelsea School Committee voted to adopt a new district wide school policy which allows for other public school systems to utilize the Chelsea Public Schools' special education programs. Two school districts, Excel Academy-Chelsea and Everett Public Schools, have expressed interest in utilizing Chelsea's middle school special education program for students on the autism spectrum. Under such an arrangement, the sending district remains financially responsible for the student and Chelsea and the sending district would share programmatic responsibility. Chelsea Public Schools will develop tuition rates and charges that reflect the actual cost of educating these students, and the sending district will provide tuition payments to Chelsea Public Schools to cover these costs.

In order to implement this new policy, the Chelsea School System needs to establish a Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund for all the receipt and disbursement of these tuition and fees. Under M.G.L. C. 71, §71F, City Council approval is required to create this Revolving Fund. I respectfully request that approval.

I will be available to answer any questions on these requests. The specific orders for approval are attached.

The following communication was received from City Manager Thomas Ambrosino. A motion from Councillor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City Council
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: *New Hazard Mitigation Plan*

Dear Councilors:

I am pleased to submit to the City Council the City of Chelsea's Hazard Mitigation Plan 2016 Update. The Plan must be formally adopted by the City Council. A Resolution for adoption of the Plan is attached.

The Plan provides a risk assessment for natural hazards in Chelsea, including but not limited to, flooding high winds, severe winter weather, earthquakes and extreme temperatures. In accordance with federal law, every community is required to prepare and adopt a hazard mitigation plan every five years in order to be eligible for federal hazard mitigation funds to address the risks. The City has received such funds in the past and will seek additional funds as the need arises.

Prepared for the City by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, the planning involved several City Departments and public input. Representatives of the Emergency Management Office, the Department of Planning and Development, the Department of Public Works, the Inspectional Services Department, the Health and Human Services Department and the Fire Department met several times to aid in the preparation of the Plan. Public meetings were held with the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission not only to seek their input, but also to receive from the general public.

The Plan will become effective as soon as the City Council adopts the document and forwards the Resolution to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). I respectfully request that the Council bring the matter to a vote at its May 23, 2016 meeting so that we can forward the materials and immediately confirm the City's eligibility for hazard mitigation funds.

Thank you for your consideration,
Thomas G. Ambrosino

The following communication was received from City Manager Thomas G. Ambrosino. A motion from Councillor Robinson to accept and file was adopted under suspension.

The Honorable Chelsea City Council
Chelsea City hall
500 Broadway
Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150

Re: Request for Conflict of Interest Law Exemption

Dear Councilors:

After a competitive bidding process, the procurement officer has once again awarded the City of Chelsea's contract for repairs and maintenance on the City's fire alarm system to Delco Utilities, Inc. of Peabody, Massachusetts. The Emergency Management Department is charged with overseeing the services provided for the contract.

This matter is before you because the owners of Delco are two Chelsea Firefighters - David Delaney and Albert Peters. Because these owners are each municipal employees with a financial interest in this contract, they must seek an exemption vote by the City Council from the statutory

conflict of interest laws and file a disclosure form with the City Clerk. Both of owners have filed their required disclosures with the City Clerk.

I believe that an exemption vote is warranted under these circumstances. Neither Mr. Delaney nor Mr. Peters work for the Department responsible for the contract. Neither individual will be compensated for more than 500 hours under the contract. And, all work performed pursuant to the contract will be outside their normal hours as firefighters. Accordingly, they meet the statutory requirements for the grant of an exemption. See M.G.L. c. 268A& 20.

I respectfully request that the City Council grant Mr. Delaney and Mr. Peters the requested exemption.

Sincerely,
Thomas G. Ambrosino.

Second Readings:

The following order was introduced by Councilors Avellaneda, Frank, Cortell, Murphy, Garcia, Recupero, Vidot, Tejada, Rodriguez, and Lopez. A motion from Councillor Avellaneda to adopt by roll call passed 10-0-1-0. Voting yes were Councilors Frank, Vidot, Rodriguez, Murphy, Lopez, Tejada, Garcia, Avellaneda, Cortell, and Robinson. Councillor Recupero was absent.

ORDERED, that the City of Chelsea hereby accepts Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, otherwise known as the Massachusetts Community Preservation Act, by approving a surcharge on real property for the purposes permitted by said act, including the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space, the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources, the acquisition creation preservation rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use, the acquisition creation, preservation and support of community housing, and the rehabilitation and restoration of such open space and community housing that is acquired or created under such act; that the amount of such surcharge on real property shall be 1.5% of the annual real estate tax levy against real property commencing in fiscal year 2017, and that the City hereby accepts the following exemptions from such surcharge permitted under Section 3E of said Act; property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or moderate senior housing in the City, as defined in Section 2 of said Act; \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property; and \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of class three, commercial property, and class four, industrial property as defined in section 2A of Chapter 59.

New Business:

The following Resolution was introduced by Councilor Robinson. A motion from Councilor Robinson moved the Resolution to a second reading under suspension.

RESOLUTION

- Whereas,** The City owns parkland located at or about 31 Willow Street, officially known as Highland Park; and
- Whereas,** The renovation and refurbishment of the City's recreational facilities corresponds with the goals of Chelsea's 2010 *Open Space and Recreation Plan* and advances the public health, well-being, and quality of life of Chelsea residents; and
- Whereas,** The basketball courts, seating area, and children's area with a water feature were previously excluded from renovations occurring to Highland Park's soccer fields; and
- Whereas,** The basketball courts and respective areas provide one of the few public basketball facilities for recreational use in the City and are vital to the City's recreation community, yet remain in a condition that warrants refurbishment; and
- Whereas,** The Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEAA) is offering reimbursable grants to City to support the preservation and restoration of urban parks through the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Program (301 CME 5.00); and
- Whereas,** The City requests to apply for a PARC grant in the amount of \$400,000.00 for the renovation of the basketball courts, seating area, and children's play area with water feature at Highland Park; and
- Whereas,** The renovation of this facility is projected to cost approximately \$570,000, and should the City receive the PARC grant, the grant will reimburse the City seventy percent, up to \$400,000, of the total project cost; and
- Whereas,** If awarded, the PARC grant reimburses the City for design and construction up to the amount of the grant, and the City is required by PARC grant guidelines to set aside the full amount of the project and certify that full funding, including the State share, is available for the project prior to reimbursement. Additionally the PARC grant requires the site be permanently dedicated to open space use, which it presently is; be it therefore
- Resolved,** By this vote, the Chelsea City Council reaffirms Highland Park's status as protected open space under Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution,

endorses and approves the grant application for the Massachusetts Parkland Acquisition and Renovations for Communities funds to be prepared by the Department of Planning and Development. If the City is awarded a PARC grant for the renovation of Highland Park, the City Council endorses the project for the PARC funds prepared by the Department of Planning and Development, certifies the City Manager's authority to enter into an agreement for receipt of these funds, and directs the City Manager to take any and all action necessary to accomplish the project.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Robinson. A motion from Councillor Robinson moved the order to a second reading under suspension.

**Authorization of a Revolving Account
For the School Department Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund**

WHEREAS, Section 71F of Chapter 71 of the General Laws authorizes cities and towns to accept and establish departmental revolving funds subject to certain budgetary restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea School Committee adopted and implemented a tuition fee to be charged to other public school systems wishing to use the Chelsea Public Schools' special education programs and further voted to establish a Non-Resident Student Tuition revolving fund for the receipt and disbursement of said tuition and fees collected by Chelsea Public Schools.

THEREFORE, subject to the following conditions, the City Council hereby authorizes the establishment of a revolving fund for the School Department in accordance with the provisions of Section 71F of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Only proceeds received by the City, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 71 section 71F shall be credited to the fund;
- 2) Aggregate expenditures from the fund shall not exceed \$50,000 in a single fiscal year;
- 3) All proceeds received in a single year after the fund has reached a balance of \$30,000 shall be credited to the General Fund;
- 4) Expenditures from this fund shall be authorized by the School Committee or their designee and shall not exceed the available balance of the revolving fund;

- 5) Such funds shall be expended only for purposes directly associated provisions of M.G.L. c. 71 Section 71F;
- 6) No expenditure may be made from such revolving fund for the purposes of paying full or part-time employee's wages or salaries unless the revolving fund is also charged for the costs of fringe benefits associated with the wages or salaries so paid;
- 7) The School Department shall provide a report including all receipts and expenditures of this fund to the City Manager on a quarterly basis and to the City Council on an annual basis in accordance with the provisions of Section 53E1/2 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws;
- 8) This revolving fund requires authorization for each ensuing fiscal year, and
- 9) This fund is hereby authorized until June 30, 2017.

The following Resolve was introduced by Councillor Cortell. A motion from Councillor Robinson to adopt by roll call passed 10-0-1-0. Voting yes were Councilors Frank, Vidot, Rodriguez, Murphy, Lopez, Tejada, Garcia, Avellaneda, Cortell, and Robinson. Councillor Recupero was absent.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CHELSEA, MASSACHUSETTS**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
CITY OF CHELSEA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2016 UPDATE

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea established a Committee to prepare the *City of Chelsea Hazard Mitigation Plan 2016 Update*, and

WHEREAS, the *City of Chelsea Hazard Mitigation 2016 Plan Update* contains several potential future projects to mitigate potential impacts from natural hazards in the City of Chelsea, and

WHEREAS, duly-noticed public meetings were held by the PLANNING BOARD on April 22, 2014 and by the CONSERVATION COMMISSION on April 16, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the City of Chelsea authorizes responsible departments and/or agencies to execute their responsibilities demonstrated in the plan, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Chelsea CITY COUNCIL adopts the *City of Chelsea Hazard Mitigation Plan 2016 Update*, in accordance with M.G.L. 40 §4 and the charter and ordinances of the City of Chelsea.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Robinson. A motion from Councillor Robinson moved the order to a second reading under suspension.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$6,000.00 from Free Cash to supplement the Fiscal Year 2016 Assessing Department-Legal Services Account 0114152-530100.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Robinson. A motion from Councillor Robinson moved the order to a second reading under suspension.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$9,000.00 from Free Cash to supplement the Fiscal Year 2016 Personnel Department-Medical Services Account 0115252-531200 series.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Robinson. A motion from Councillor Robinson moved the order to a second reading under suspension.

ORDERED, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$11,000.00 from Free Cash to supplement the Fiscal Year 2016 Law Department-Legal Services Account 0115152-530100 series.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Garcia. A motion from Councillor Garcia to adopt under suspension was adopted.

REQUEST, to hold a Sub-Committee on Conference to have Regional Energy Manager Mr. Frank Nitti, conduct an informational presentation on the impact and benefits of the Green Communities Act.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Vidot. A motion from Councillor Vidot to adopt under suspension was adopted.

ORDERED, that a Sub-Committee on Conference be held with the City Solicitor regarding the recent budget meetings to discuss questions or concerns.

The following order was introduced by Councillors Garcia and Cortell. A motion from Councillor Garcia to adopt under suspension was adopted.

ORDERED, that a Sub-Committee on Conference be held for Chelsea High School Bridge Academy student's projects presentations on advocacy to Council on Monday June 13th at 6:00 P.M.

The following order was introduced by Councilor Vidot. A motion from Councillor Vidot to adopt under suspension was adopted.

ORDERED, that the City Manager notify the appropriate departments to ensure that whenever

there's construction, development or projects that could cause scarce parking or noise pollution, that abutters be properly notified.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Vidot late. No objections to the late filing. A motion from Councillor Vidot to adopt under suspension was adopted.

ORDERED, that the Sub-Committee on Conference be held to discuss the issue of parking traffic flow and new developments without adequate parking spaces in already dense areas in or around the Broadway area.

The following order was introduced by Councillor Robinson. A motion from Councillor Robinson to adopt by roll call passed 10-0-1-0. Voting yes were Councilors Frank, Vidot, Rodriguez, Murphy, Lopez, Tejada, Garcia, Avellaneda, Cortell, and Robinson. Councillor Recupero was absent.

WHEREAS, The City Chelsea's Administration has completed a public competitive bidding process on the contract for repairs and maintenance of the City's fire alarm systems and desires to award the contract to Delco, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Department is the city department overseeing the management of the services provided for in the contract and the owners of Delco, Inc. Albert Peters and David Delaney, current city employees, do not work for the Emergency Management Department; and

WHEREAS, the owners of Delco, Inc. Albert Peters and David Delaney are Chelsea Firefighters and have filed with City Clerk and the City Manager disclosures pursuant to Mass Gen. Laws c. 268A & 23; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws c. 268A & 20 the Conflicts of Interest Law, requires the City Council to grant an exemption to city employees having a financial interest in a city contract;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED that the Chelsea City Council hereby approve an exemption to the Massachusetts Conflict of Interest Laws, MGL c. 268 & 20 for David Delaney and Albert Peters with regard to their contract to repair maintenance on Chelsea's fire alarm system.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Paul G. Casino
Clerk of the Chelsea City Council