MINUTES ORDINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING CITY HALL, ROOM 215 TELEPHONIC & IN-PERSON December 21, 2020

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Ordinance Subcommittee of the City Council and Water Pollution Control Authority was held at City Hall in Room 215 on Monday, December 21, 2020. The meeting was attended in-person by Chairman Frank Rubino and Corporation Counsel Victor Muschell. Councilwoman Anne Ruwet, Councilman Paul Cavagnero and Police Chief William Baldwin, Jr. joined by phone.

Chairman Rubino called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion Regarding Noise Ordinance

Chairman Rubino requested input from committee members regarding the draft noise ordinance and Councilman Cavagnero expressed his support for moving the draft forward to the full Board of Councilman to schedule a public hearing. Chairman Rubino requested an update from Chief Baldwin with respect to equipment and anticipated training costs. Chief Baldwin reported that two decibel readers could be purchased for approximately \$200 per unit and a calibration device would cost approximately \$250 additional. The Chief also noted his concerns regarding low-pitched noises which can cause even greater disturbance than high-pitched noises at lower decibel levels. Atty. Muschell agreed that much of the nuisance concerns arise from low-pitched noises such as the bass in car stereos.

On a motion by Councilwoman Ruwet, seconded by Councilman Cavagnero, the committee voted unanimously to advance the draft noise ordinance to the City Council to schedule a public hearing.

Business by Committee Members

Chairman Rubino opened the meeting up to business by the committee members but no business was presented or discussed.

Adjournment

On a motion by Councilwoman Ruwet, seconded by Councilman Cavagnero, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jonathan R. Draper, Asst. City Clerk

ATTEST: Carol L anderson CAROL L. ANDERSON, MMC

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