

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL & WPCA
SPECIAL MEETING
City Hall Auditorium / Zoom
June 14, 2021**

A **SPECIAL MEETING** of the City Council and Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) was held at the City Hall auditorium on Monday, June 14, 2021. Attendance was by ZOOM and in person. Present at City Hall were Mayor Elinor Carbone, Corporation Counsel Victor Muschell, Public Works Director Ray Drew, WPCA Administrator Ed Tousey, Economic Development Director Rista Malanca and City Councilor Frank Rubino. Councilors Drake Waldron, David Oliver and Sharon Waagner participated by Zoom. Councilors Paul Cavagnero and Anne Ruwet were absent.

Mayor Carbone called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call Vote: Sewer Use Fee

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Rubino, the Council herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously, with four votes in favor and none opposed, to accept the recommendation of the WPCA Administrator and Public Works Director to set the sewer use fee for the year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 as follows:

- For Residential Users: \$302.00 per dwelling unit
- For All Other Users: \$302.00 per 65,000 gallons of volume of flow

WPCA Budget

On a motion by Councilor Rubino, seconded by Councilor Waldron, the Council herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously to approve the WPCA Budget for year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

WPCA Capital Improvement Program

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Rubino, the Council herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously to approve the WPCA Five-Year Capital Improvement Budget/Program for year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2026.

WPCA Miscellaneous Fee Schedule

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Rubino, the Council herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously to approve the WPCA Miscellaneous Fee Schedule for year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

Franklin Street Remediation

Economic Development Director Rista Malanca provided an update on the remediation efforts at 100 Franklin Street. She reported that all of the contamination and hazardous materials were removed from the site, but the final remediation costs were estimated to be greater than originally budgeted. She requested City Council approval for up to \$75,000 of the City's contingency funds to be used to fill the funding gap. Mayor Carbone clarified that the City's Contingency Fund had a balance of approximately \$129,000.

On a motion by Councilor Rubino, seconded by Councilor Waldron, the Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor to utilize contingency funds in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 to pay off the remaining invoices for the remediation of 100 Franklin Street, including LEP oversight and legal fees.

Amended Assistance Agreement: 100 Franklin Street

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Rubino, the Council herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Amended Assistance Agreement for DECD grant funding for the remediation of 100 Franklin Street.

Adjournment

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Rubino, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

Carol L. Anderson
CAROL L. ANDERSON, CITY CLERK