

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF WATERTOWN
September 2, 2025
7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Sarah V.C. Pierce Presiding

Present: Council Member Robert O. Kimball
Council Member Clifford G. Olney III
Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero
Council Member Benjamin P. Shoen
Mayor Sarah V.C. Pierce

Also Present: Eric F. Wagenaar, City Manager
Kristen E. Smith, Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC, City Attorney

City staff present: Erica Anderson, James Mills, Michael Lumbis, Thomas Compo, Aaron Harvill, Brian MacCue, Michael Kellogg

The City Manager presented the following reports to Council:

- Resolution No. 1 - Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Fire and Public Works Departments Vehicles and Equipment
- Resolution No. 2 - Authorizing Submission of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Application for the City of Watertown – East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project
- Resolution No. 3 - Finding that the East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment
- Resolution No. 4 - Readopting Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Fund Budget – Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Rehabilitation Project
- Resolution No. 5 - Authorizing the Submission of New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) Grant Application for the City of Watertown - Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project
- Resolution No. 6 - Finding that the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment
- Resolution No. 7 - Approving the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Watertown and Neighbors of Watertown, Inc. for the Vacant Rental Improvement Program
- Ordinance No. 1 - Amending City Municipal Code § 293: Vehicles and Traffic
- Ordinance No. 2 - An Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Dated September 3, 2024, Authorizing the Issuance Of \$600,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Purchase of Refuse and Recycling Trucks, in and for Said City, to Increase the Estimated Maximum Cost Thereof and the Amount of Bonds Authorized to \$675,000 (An Increase of \$75,000)
- Ordinance No. 3 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$700,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Acquisition of Refuse and Recycling Trucks, in and for Said City
- Ordinance No. 4 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$29,740,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Rehabilitation of the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS), Including Inflow and Infiltration Improvements, in and for Said City

- Proposed Local Law of 2025 - A Local Law to Repeal Local Law No. 1 of 2021, In Part, Which Opted Out of Licensing and Establishing Retail Cannabis Dispensaries Within the City of Watertown
- Staff Report - Amending the City of Watertown's 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan

Meeting opened with a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

The reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 18, 2025 was dispensed and accepted as written by motion of Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero, seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

COMMUNICATIONS

An email was received from Sarah Dowds, President of the Board of Directors for the Figure Skating Club of Watertown, providing Council with additional information and an Ice Contract Analysis for their use of ice time at the Watertown Municipal Arena.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Patrick Hickey, 394 Pawling Street, addressed the chair regarding concerns with some of the answers completed on Part I of the full environmental assessment forms included in Resolution No. 3 and Resolution No. 6.

Janice Gittino, 940 Washington Street, read from a prepared statement that she distributed to Council Members prior to the meeting and spoke of health and addiction concerns with approving the local law that would allow retail cannabis dispensaries within the City of Watertown.

Jonathan Phillips, 735 Mill Street, noted that surrounding communities are receiving revenue from allowing retail cannabis dispensaries and this could benefit the City as well. He also discussed bike traffic and pedestrian crosswalk use within Public Square and expressed safety concerns.

Steve Smith, North Colorado Avenue, stated it has been mentioned that the City is considering paid parking within the downtown area and expressed his concerns with the implementation and enforcement of it.

PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:15 p.m. Mayor Pierce asked the City Clerk to read the notice of Public Hearing concerning Proposed Local Law of 2025 - A Local Law to Repeal Local Law No. 1 of 2021, In Part, Which Opted Out of Licensing and Establishing Retail Cannabis Dispensaries Within the City of Watertown

Mayor Pierce declared the hearing open at 7:15 p.m.

Anita Seefried-Brown, Watertown, stated that she is representing herself as a resident of Watertown and spoke of her concern over youths' increased exposure to marijuana leading to the increase in use by youths. She went on to explain the potential health issues caused by the use of marijuana and expressed opposition to allowing retail cannabis dispensaries in the City of Watertown.

Milly Smith, 140 Keyes Avenue, stated that she has been practicing medicine at an urgent care for 22 years and spoke in opposition of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries in the City of Watertown, citing the impact it may have on youth.

Tyler Soluri, Addison Street, spoke in support of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries on the City of Watertown and mentioned the economic impact they might have to the City.

Janice Gittino, 940 Washington Street, spoke in opposition to allowing retail cannabis dispensaries in the City of Watertown and stated the City needs a better image.

Steve Smith, North Colorado Avenue, spoke in support of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries in the City of Watertown and the impact any potential revenue might have on the budget.

Jonathan Phillips, 735 Mill Street, spoke in support of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries in the City of Watertown.

Mayor Pierce declared the hearing closed at 7:40 p.m.

R E S O L U T I O N S

Resolution No. 1 - Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Fire and Public Works Departments Vehicles and Equipment

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS the City of Watertown Fire and Public Works Departments have various surplus vehicles and equipment, the description of which is attached and made a part of this resolution, and

WHEREAS these vehicles and equipment may have some value best determined by an online auction,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown, New York, hereby authorizes the sale, by online auction, of the various surplus vehicles and equipment as described in the attached listing, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final acceptance of such bids shall constitute acceptance of the same by the City Manager.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 2 - Authorizing Submission of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Application for the City of Watertown – East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS funds and assistance are available through the New York State Drinking Water Infrastructure Act through the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation, including the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), and

WHEREAS the City of Watertown wishes to apply for said funds for the East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project to include a new water storage tank and supporting infrastructure for operation with the existing water system, and the spray coating of the interior of the existing reservoir, as funding allows,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Watertown City Council authorizes the City Manager or their designee to sign and submit the application form and any other documents required by the application.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 3 - Finding that the East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS the City of Watertown (the “City”) is proposing to undertake the 5MG Reservoir Replacement and Transmission Main Project involving the construction of a new 5 million gallon water storage tank, relining of the existing 5 million gallon drinking water reservoir, partial transmission main replacement, and related improvements (the “Project”) to enhance the City’s public water supply system; and

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Watertown has reviewed Part I of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) completed by Wright-Pierce, and

WHEREAS, at the August 4, 2025 City Council meeting, the City Council passed a resolution and declared its intent to serve as Lead Agency to conduct the environmental review and has determined the Project is a Type I Action, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) 6 NYCRR Part 617, and that a coordinated review of the Project has been undertaken, and

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown has circulated the Project to all Involved Agencies for 30 days indicating their desire to be Lead Agency in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.6, and no objection was received,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that receiving no objections, the City declares itself Lead Agency, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that:

1. Based upon its examination of the Full Environmental Assessment Form and comparing the proposed action with the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617, no significant adverse impact to the environment is known, and the East Reservoir and Transmission Main Improvements Project will not have a significant adverse impact

on the environment.

2. The Mayor of the City of Watertown is authorized and directed to execute Part 3 of the Environmental Assessment Form to the effect that the City Council is issuing a Negative Declaration under SEQRA.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Council reviewed Part II of the full environmental assessment review form in detail and sought advice from staff and the City Attorney.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 4 - Readopting Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Fund Budget – Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Rehabilitation Project

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS on June 2, 2025 the City Council adopted the Fiscal Years 2025-26 through 2029-30 Capital Budget, and

WHEREAS the City has a Preliminary Engineering Report which presents a phased approach to address system inflow and infiltration (I/I), surcharging during wet weather events, and structural vulnerabilities in the trunk and collector systems, and

WHEREAS City staff is recommending re-adopting the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Budget to add this project, which enables staff to pursue grants to reduce the fiscal burden of the project,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby re-adopts the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Capital Budget to add the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Rehabilitation Project at an estimated maximum cost of \$29,740,000.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Mayor Pierce explained, for the public's benefit, that this is needed in order for the City to be eligible for grant applications.

Mr. Wagenaar added that several resolutions within this agenda were requirements for grant applications for both the Water Reservoir project and the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer project.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 5 - Authorizing the Submission of New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) Grant Application for the City of Watertown - Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS the City of Watertown proposes inflow and infiltration improvements to reduce I/I within Sub Basins 1, 4, 7, 8, 9N, and 9S, including targeted spot repairs, followed by system-wide cured-in-place lining of mainline piping and manholes, as well as grouting of all lateral to main connection points, and associated improvements, and

WHEREAS the project is located within the City of Watertown and benefits all sewer users within the City of Watertown, and

WHEREAS NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation is offering grants for clean and drinking water projects during the 2025-2026 state fiscal year to selected municipalities with infrastructure projects that protect public health and/or improve water quality, and

WHEREAS the City of Watertown is seeking funding through the NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Grant, and

WHEREAS NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation requires a resolution authorizing the undertaking of the project and the total funding appropriated for the project. The resolution must also designate a representative of the applicant who is authorized to sign the funding agreement with EFC and any associated documents,

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the City of Watertown authorizes the undertaking of project and the estimated project cost is \$29,740,000, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Watertown proposes to meet the financial obligations necessary to fully and satisfactorily complete the project through Environmental Facilities Short Term and Long Term Financing, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Watertown authorizes and empowers the City Manager or their designee, to sign and submit a grant application and sign the funding agreement with Environmental Facilities Corporation and any associated documents, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 6 - Finding that the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project Will Not Have a Significant Impact on the Environment

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown has developed the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Preliminary Engineering Reports to document system infiltration and inflow (I/I) surcharging during wet weather events, and the structural vulnerabilities in the trunk and collector system in the WOTS, and

WHEREAS, these conditions have resulted in sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), basement backups and emergency pumping operations near Butterfield Avenue, and

WHEREAS, the City proposes inflow and infiltration improvements to remove I/I in the WOTS,

and

WHEREAS, the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project involves a series of improvements to the WOTS to remove inflow and infiltration from the system and make other needed repairs and upgrades. The project would involve the complete rehabilitation of the WOTS sub-basins 4, 6, 7, 8, 9N and 9S using targeted spot repairs, followed by system-wide cured-in-place lining of mainline piping and manholes, as well as grouting of all lateral to main connection points, and

WHEREAS, the Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and supporting documentation has been provided, and

WHEREAS, at the July 21, 2025 City Council meeting, the City Council passed a resolution and declared its intent to serve as Lead Agency to conduct environmental review and has determined the Project is a Type I Action, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) 6 NYCRR Part 617, and that a coordinated review of the Project has been undertaken, and

WHEREAS, the City of Watertown has circulated the Project to all Involved Agencies for 30 days indicating their desire to be Lead Agency in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.6, and no objection was received,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that receiving no objections, the City declares itself Lead Agency, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that:

1. Based upon its examination of the Full Environmental Assessment Form and comparing the proposed action with the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617, no significant adverse impact to the environment is known, and the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS) Priority Basin Inflow and Infiltration Implementation Project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. The Mayor of the City of Watertown is authorized and directed to execute Part 3 of the Environmental Assessment Form to the effect that the City Council is issuing a Negative Declaration under SEQRA.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Council reviewed Part II of the full environmental assessment review form.

Planning and Community Development Director Michael Lumbis pointed out that the grant writer from LaBella offered suggested answers for Council on the form, as well as further explanations under Part III. He confirmed that the answer to the question about an adopted Local Waterfront Redevelopment Plan (LWRP) needed to be changed since the LWRP is still in draft form. He also provided an update to the completion of the draft LWRP.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea.

Resolution No. 7 - Approving the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Watertown and Neighbors of Watertown, Inc. for the Vacant Rental Improvement Program

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS Neighbors of Watertown (NOW) is applying for grant funding from the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal through the Vacant Rental Improvement Program, and

WHEREAS the grant funding will support repairs and rehabilitation of vacant rental units to increase the supply of critically needed apartments for low- and moderate-income renters in the City of Watertown, and

WHEREAS staff from the City of Watertown Code Enforcement Bureau has identified approximately 170 vacant and uninhabitable properties containing approximately 225 units within the City that may qualify for rehabilitation under this program, and

WHEREAS repairs and improvements to eligible units may include health and safety improvements, correction of code violations and/or updating spaces to meet residential standards, accessibility modifications, environmental remediation, and other repairs, and

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Watertown desires to have these properties rehabilitated and brought back into productive use to create safe, quality, and affordable long-term rental units, and

WHEREAS the City desires to enter into a partnership with Neighbors of Watertown to undertake this housing rehabilitation program, and

WHEREAS a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Watertown and Neighbors of Watertown, Inc. has been drafted to outline each organization's responsibilities for the Vacant Rental Improvement Program,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby supports and endorses Neighbors of Watertown's application for funding through the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal through the Vacant Rental Improvement Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that it hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Watertown and Neighbors of Watertown, Inc. for the Vacant Rental Improvement Program, a copy of which is attached and made a part of this resolution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager, or their designee is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City of Watertown.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Prior to the vote on the foregoing resolution, Council Member Shoen stated that he does not have an issue with this program, but he wondered if the \$250 fee charged to Neighbors of Watertown for the work done by the Code Enforcement Office should be higher. He suggested tabling the resolution to allow for renegotiation of the fee.

Mr. Lumbis warned that the grant application is due on September 12, which is before the next Council meeting. He advised that the \$250 fee was calculated by Code Enforcement Supervisor Dana Aikins and City Comptroller James Mills and was based on the amount of staff time needed for this work. Referring to Council Member Shoen's comments regarding the amount of grant funds allowed to go towards program administration, Mr. Lumbis indicated that Neighbors of Watertown would need to justify their administration cost and what was expended in time prior to being reimbursed by the grant. He added that if all the program administration funds are not used, then the funds would be applied to construction costs. He also explained that the \$250 fee only covers the front-end inspection because the building permit fees will cover staff's time for the back-end inspections.

Further discussion ensued regarding the development of the list of eligible properties, collaboration with Neighbors of Watertown and the oversight of the work completed by subcontractors. In regard to renegotiating the \$250 fee, Mr. Lumbis said this is time sensitive and advised approving this as it is and then working towards amending it later.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing resolution and carried with all voting yea except Council Member Benjamin P. Shoen voting nay.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1 - Amending City Municipal Code § 293: Vehicles and Traffic

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

BE IT ORDAINED that the City Council of the City of Watertown hereby amends the City Municipal Code § 293, Vehicles and Traffic to **add** the following:

§ 293-52. Schedule IV: One-Way Streets

In accordance with the provisions of § 293-11, the following described streets or parts of streets are hereby designated as one-way streets in the direction indicated:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Direction of Travel</u>	<u>Limits</u>
Burlington Street	North	From Lynde Street East to Saint Mary Street

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this amendment shall take effect as soon as it is published in the official newspaper of the City of Watertown, or printed as the City Manager directs.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Motion for unanimous consent moved by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero, seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing ordinance and carried with all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 2 - An Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Dated September 3, 2024, Authorizing the Issuance Of \$600,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Purchase of Refuse and Recycling Trucks, in and for Said City, to Increase the Estimated Maximum Cost Thereof and the Amount of Bonds Authorized to \$675,000 (An Increase of \$75,000)

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS by ordinance dated September 3, 2024, the Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York (the “City”), authorized the issuance of \$600,000 bonds of said City to pay the cost of the purchase of refuse and recycling trucks, including incidental expenses in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS the Council now wishes to increase the estimated maximum cost and the amount of bonds authorized for the aforesaid project from \$600,000 to \$675,000 (an increase of \$75,000);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, as follows:

Section A. The ordinance dated September 3, 2024, authorizing the issuance of \$600,000 bonds to pay the cost of the purchase of refuse and recycling trucks, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, in and for the City, is hereby amended, in its entirety to read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$675,000 BONDS OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN, JEFFERSON COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE COSTS OF THE PURCHASE OF REFUSE AND RECYCLING TRUCKS, IN AND FOR SAID CITY.

WHEREAS all conditions precedent to the financing of the capital purposes hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York (the “City”), as follows:

Section 1. For the specific object or purpose of paying the cost of refuse and recycling trucks, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, in and for the City, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$675,000 bonds of said City pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is \$675,000 and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$675,000 bonds of said City authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond ordinance.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is ten years, pursuant to subdivision six of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said City Comptroller, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said City are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Comptroller and a facsimile of its corporate seal shall be imprinted thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as the City Comptroller shall deem best for the interests of the City; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the City Comptroller shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the City Comptroller shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the City by the facsimile signature of the City Comptroller, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the City), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the City Comptroller. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the City not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and,

accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the City Comptroller shall determine.

Section 9. This ordinance shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this ordinance, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a longterm basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 10. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said City is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this ordinance are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This ordinance, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary in the Watertown Daily Times, the official newspaper, together with a notice of the City Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section B. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said City is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this ordinance are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section C. Upon this ordinance taking effect, the same shall be published in summary in the Watertown Daily Times, the official newspaper, of the City, together with a notice of the City Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section D. This ordinance is effective immediately.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Motion for unanimous consent moved by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero, seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing ordinance and carried with all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 3 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$700,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Acquisition of Refuse and Recycling Trucks, in and for Said City

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS, all conditions precedent to the financing of the capital purposes hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. For the specific object or purpose of paying the cost of the acquisition of refuse and recycling trucks, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, in and for the City, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$700,000 bonds of said City pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is \$700,000 and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$700,000 bonds of said City authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond ordinance.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is ten years, pursuant to subdivision six of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said City Comptroller, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said City are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Comptroller and a facsimile of its corporate seal shall be imprinted thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as the Comptroller shall deem best for the interests of the City; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Comptroller shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the City Comptroller shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the City by the facsimile signature of the City Comptroller, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the City), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the City Comptroller. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the City not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and, accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the City Comptroller shall determine.

Section 9. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said City is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this ordinance are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 10. This ordinance shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this ordinance, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 11. This ordinance, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary in the Watertown Daily Times, the official newspaper of the City, together with a notice of the City Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Motion for unanimous consent moved by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero, seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing ordinance and carried with all voting yea.

Ordinance No. 4 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$29,740,000 Bonds of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Rehabilitation of the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer (WOTS), Including Inflow and Infiltration Improvements, in and for Said City

Introduced by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero

WHEREAS all conditions precedent to the financing of the capital purposes hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS it is now desired to authorize the financing of such capital project; NOW,
THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, New York (the “City”), as follows:

Section 1. For the specific object or purpose of paying the cost of the rehabilitation of the Western Outfall Trunk Sewer, in and for the City, including inflow and infiltration improvements, rehabilitation of sub-basins, system-wide cured-in-place lining of mainline piping and manholes, grouting of lateral to main connection points, and associated improvements and incidental expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$29,740,000 bonds of said City pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is \$29,740,000 and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$29,740,000 bonds of said City authorized to be issued pursuant to this bond ordinance; provided, however, that the amount of bonds ultimately to be issued will be reduced by the amount of any State and, or federal aid or any other revenue received by the City from other sources for such specific object or purpose, which monies are hereby appropriated therefor

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is thirty years, pursuant to subdivision four of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said City Comptroller, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of said City are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable.

An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Comptroller and a facsimile of its corporate seal shall be imprinted thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the City Comptroller, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as the City Comptroller shall deem best for the interests of the City, including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the City Comptroller shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the City Comptroller shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the City Comptroller. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be prescribed by said City Comptroller consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 9. The City Comptroller is hereby further authorized, at his or her sole discretion, to execute a project financing agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the specific object or purpose described in Section 1 hereof, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and, or note issue of said City in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 10. The intent of this resolution is to give the City Comptroller sufficient authority to execute those applications, agreements, instruments or to do any similar acts necessary to effect the issuance of the aforesaid bonds and, or notes, without resorting to further action of the City Comptroller.

Section 11. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the City by the facsimile signature of its City Comptroller, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the City), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the City Comptroller. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the City not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and, accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity

clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the City Comptroller shall determine.

Section 12. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said City is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this ordinance are not substantially complied with and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 13. This ordinance shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a longterm basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 14. This ordinance, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in summary in the Watertown Daily Times the official newspaper of the City, together with a notice of the City Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III

Motion for unanimous consent moved by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero, seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing ordinance and carried with all voting yea.

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Local Law of 2025 - A Local Law to Repeal Local Law No. 1 of 2021, In Part, Which Opted Out of Licensing and Establishing Retail Cannabis Dispensaries Within the City of Watertown. *(Introduced on August 18, 2025; public hearing held this evening; appears in its entirety in the 2025 Minutes Book on page 7-8 of August 18, 2025 minutes).*

Council Member Olney noted that this is not just about the potential for additional revenue, but also about the safety of the product being sold. He explained that he would be voting in favor of it.

Council Member Shoen explained his reasons for not supporting this, stressing that making cannabis easier to obtain is not a benefit to the people, and that the City is already in decline so Council should not be adding to it. He commented that the State has a habit of legalizing things only for revenue purposes.

Council Member Ruggiero pointed out that Council received emails from two local law enforcement agencies stating there have not been additional issues in the municipalities that have allowed cannabis dispensaries. She said she was against this four years ago because there were a lot of unknowns, but

now the State has further developed the regulations for licensing this, and it exists in other municipalities. She compared it to the operation of liquor stores.

At the call of the chair, a vote was taken on the foregoing local law and carried with all voting yeas except Council Member Benjamin P. Shoen and Mayor Sarah V.C. Pierce voting nay.

STAFF REPORTS

Amending the City of Watertown's 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan

A report was available for Council to review, outlining amendments needed for the 2020 CDBG Annual Action Plan due to the North Side ADA Ramp Replacement Project Phase 2, the Target Area Smoke Detector Program, and the Tilden St./Starbuck Ave. Sidewalk Project coming under budget and the elimination of the NDC Housing Stabilization Program. Staff recommends reallocating these funds to the Burlington Street Reconstruction Project.

Motion was made by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero to schedule a Public Hearing regarding amending the City of Watertown's 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan for Monday, October 6, 2025 at 7:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

NEW BUSINESS

Paid Parking – Response to Privilege of the Floor

Council Member Kimball referred to Mr. Smith's comments, clarifying that only one member of Council offered paid parking downtown as a suggestion during a discussion but Council, as a whole, has not discussed this topic.

Homelessness

Council Member Kimball mentioned that people have made many negative comments about the City of Watertown, but many communities in New York State and across the United States are facing similar problems. He mentioned places that he has travelled to in the last couple years and seen homeless issues. He stressed that the City is doing better than some communities and discussed what the City and County are doing together to address homelessness.

Council Member Olney mentioned that a homeless shelter is being built on Main Avenue. He said he had hoped it would be completed sooner but that it will not be finished before this winter, so he stressed there needs to be a temporary shelter for the winter months. He stated he believes the City has a responsibility to do more with the County. He also discussed the "homeless sweeps" done recently, stating they are reactionary and do not solve the problem. He suggested creating a steering committee to work towards a solution.

Watertown Energy Service Company (WESCO)

Council Member Olney advised that he contacted Skip Trimble, former consultant for the Hydro Committee, to review and provide input on his WESCO proposal and Mr. Trimble put him in touch with an individual who has expertise in this field. Council Member Olney suggested having a workshop with this individual to discuss what would be involved in establishing an energy service company in order to

address the falloff of revenue with the end of the hydro contract. He also advised that he has finished more of the plan and will send it to Council to review.

Disinfectant By-Product Project

In response to Council Member Olney's inquiry of the status of this project, Mr. Wagenaar advised that it will be discussed at a future work session.

Downtown Block Parties

Council Member Ruggiero thanked everyone involved in making the Block Party happen, stating they were successful events this summer.

Harvest Festival

Council Member Ruggiero notified the City Manager that there are some comments on the Parks and Recreation's Facebook page regarding the upcoming Harvest Festival which appear to be a scam. She explained that these commenters state that vendors should contact them instead of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Waiver of Attorney-Client Privilege / NYS Police Investigation

Council Member Ruggiero indicated that there have been various emails between Council Members appearing to show there is majority support to waive attorney-client privilege to some information sent to Council by Attorney Smith. She noted that Council Member Kimball requested this to be voted upon at a public meeting. She asked if there was agreement to make this information public.

Mayor Pierce said that she would need to know specifically what Council Member Ruggiero wanted to release to the public.

Council Member Kimball asked if this is in regard to what the NYS Police investigation cost the City and then commented he has no objection to releasing the total amount spent in legal fees but not the invoices and details of the emails, because there were a lot of topics covered in those.

Council Member Ruggiero said she does not think there is anything wrong with releasing the emails because she is trying to be transparent with the public. She then mentioned an email that Attorney Smith sent to Council today.

Attorney Smith said she is not clear of the scope of Council Member Ruggiero's request and said that, among Council, it needs to be clarified whether it will be the release of all of the emails in the link that she sent to Council or just the memo that she sent today listing the amounts.

Council Member Ruggiero said she does not see why today's memo from Attorney Smith could not be released to the public. She then went on to discuss the other emails, stating they are important because they show the sequence as to how the investigation started. Again, she noted that she believed there are emails among Council Members agreeing to waive attorney-client privilege for this.

Mayor Pierce said she does not have any issue with transparency but reiterated that Council Member Ruggiero should explicitly define which emails she proposes to waive attorney-client privilege on.

Attorney Smith said that today's email went to Council late in the afternoon.

Some members of Council acknowledged that they had not had a chance to review it yet and Mayor Pierce said she is not going to agree to something that she has not even looked at.

Council Member Olney said that he is for releasing everything, including the redacted invoices from Harris Beach which he feels should be unredacted. He stated that he was the one who already released the prior information to the press and then he added it was by accident.

Attorney Smith stressed that she has not voiced a position regarding the question of releasing information, except that she feels all five members of Council need to be on the same page in regard to the scope of what is to be released.

Council Member Ruggiero clarified that this only needs a majority vote to be approved and did not agree with Council Member Kimball's suggestion that it should be voted upon as a resolution.

There was further debate on what should be released and further confirmation that some members of Council had not had a chance to read the email sent today by Attorney Smith. Council Member Ruggiero discussed emails from former Mayor Smith to the Attorney General's Office which she said answered her questions about the origins of the investigation.

Council Member Kimball interjected, asking why Council is in the weeds looking at things that happened three years ago and is ancient history. He added that Mayor Smith has not been Mayor for over a year and a half and there are other things that Council needs to do, so rehashing what the City had to pay because of a NYS Police investigation is largely irrelevant at this point, except to know what it costs the City.

Council Member Ruggiero disagreed, arguing that Council Member Kimball was not the one that was being smeared and defamed and harassed by someone. She discussed what she called former Mayor Smith's accusations, saying she did not like being accused and this information is coming out now for the first time. She noted that her question was how the investigation went from being a bribery case to what it ended up being, claiming it was all because of former Mayor Smith, and she stated this information proves it.

Council Member Shoen said that he did not have time to read all the emails sent prior to the meeting, but he will look at it in detail, and if the email is a memo outlining how much money was spent on this matter, he would not have a problem releasing it.

Resident Concerns

Council Member Shoen said that he receives a lot of correspondence from people with concerns and he encouraged members of the public to come to Council meetings to voice their opinions during Privilege of the Floor for a larger impact.

Paid Parking – Response to Privilege of the Floor (continued)

Council Member Shoen clarified that he brought up the idea of paid parking downtown and suggested using the newer concept of kiosks accepting credit cards and issuing tickets to be put on the vehicle's dash. He advised that tire chalking is illegal, and he said his goal was to move employees' cars to the back parking lots, like JB Wise, and limit the hindrance to parking for customers. He added that his

suggestion was a result of feedback that he has received from the public and business owners, but Council, as a whole, has not acted upon anything.

Police Calls

Council Member Shoen mentioned that the Police Department received over 300 calls over the three-day weekend and stressed there is a large amount of Police response required for limited staffing.

Sex Offenders

Council Member Shoen mentioned that he receives email notifications regarding sex offenders moving into the area and said he noted that some move from other counties or from outside of NYS into Jefferson County and are listed as homeless. He questions why this is occurring.

Bond of Recycling Trucks

Council Member Shoen noted that the current trucks are only model year 2019 and part of the issues with them is due to the emission requirements. He mentioned that there may be a relaxing of emission requirements in heavy duty trucks, which may bring down some of the costs.

Waiver of Attorney-Client Privilege / NYS Police Investigation (continued)

Mayor Pierce noted that she, like Council Member Shoen, had not had time to review today's email from Attorney Smith in detail prior to the meeting. In response to Council Member Ruggiero's earlier comments about people campaigning on transparency and that some information should be made available to the public, Mayor Pierce said she has no issue with transparency and she would like everything relating to the NYS Police Investigation, including the 6,000 text messages that were sent during, before and after meetings with the developer who benefited from the golf course deal, to be released to the public as well.

Meeting with NYS Office of General Services (OGS)

Mayor Pierce mentioned she had a good meeting with OGS regarding the increased fees being charged to use the State Office Building for events. She said the OGS is willing to work more with groups regarding the fees and she was advised that some of the events are returning to being held in the State Office Building.

Bravo Italiano Festival

Mayor Pierce announced that the Bravo Italiano Festival kicks off on Friday at 4:30 p.m. at the Italian American Club and members of Council have been invited to attend the presentation of a proclamation.

Backflow Preventor Program

Mayor Pierce requested an update on the number of people signing up for this program and said she has been asked if the program would be expanded to other areas of the City.

Downtown Block Party (continued)

Mayor Pierce also thanked everyone involved in the summer Block Parties held downtown, stating that they are great community events.

Homelessness (continued)

Mayor Pierce indicated that she and the City Manager met with an individual concerned about the homelessness situation in the downtown area. She said there has been discussion with the County Administrator, who is working on the plan and progress is being made.

Motion was made by Council Member Lisa A. Ruggiero to move into Executive Session to discuss the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property when publicity would affect the value thereof, to discuss the employment history of a particular individual or corporation, and to discuss collective bargaining.

Motion was seconded by Council Member Clifford G. Olney III and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Council moved into Executive Session at 9:26 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At the call of the chair, meeting was duly adjourned at 9:59 p.m. by motion of Council Member Robert O. Kimball, seconded by Council Member Benjamin P. Shoen and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Ann M. Saunders
City Clerk