MINUTES OF PLANNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING #3353 TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2003 7<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, GOVERNMENT CENTER, 888 WASHINGTON BLVD., STAMFORD

Present for the Board were: Duane Hill; John Garnjost; Marggie Laurie; Rose Marie Grosso; and Theresa Dell. Present for staff: Robin Stein, Land Use Bureau Chief.

The Chairman, Mr. Hill, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.

## **Zoning Board of Appeals Referrals:**

**ZBA Appl. #003-03 Stamford Health Systems** requesting a special exception to add signage at Shelburne Rd., at West Broad St., Attorney William Hennessey presented the request. Mrs. Dell recused herself from participating in the discussion and vote. After discussion, Mr. Garnjost moved to recommend approval. Mrs. Grosso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Voting were Duane Hill, John Garnjost, Marggie Laurie, and Rose Marie Grosso.

**ZBA Appl. #013-03** <u>Bethany Church Corporation</u> requesting a special exception to allow an addition to a church at 2 Scofieldtown Road. After discussion, Mrs. Laurie moved to recommend approval. Mrs. Grosso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Voting were Duane Hill, John Garnjost, Marggie Laurie, Rose Marie Grosso, and Theresa Dell.

**ZBA Appl. #017-03 Mary Osborne & Darryl Thompson** requesting a variance to locate an accessory structure in the front yard at 365 Riverbank Road. Mr. Hill recused himself from participating in the discussion and vote. After discussion, Mrs. Dell moved to recommend approval. Mrs. Grosso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Voting were John Garnjost, Marggie Laurie, Rose Marie Grosso, and Theresa Dell.

## The Capital Budget FY 2003/04 and Capital Plan 2004-2010.

Mr. Hill reported on Board of Education responses he had received to questions posed at the last meeting regarding projected school enrollment, plans for the alternate high school, technology infrastructure and the timing of the proposed high school expansions. Mr. Stein reviewed the new Board of Education budget numbers, which accelerated the phasing for the high school expansions. Mr. Garnjost stated that the Engineering Bureau was still reviewing the feasibility of the new phasing. Mr. Hill stated that there was still a lack of clarity with respect to the phasing. There was a consensus among the Board members to not change the Board of Education numbers agreed to at the last meeting. The Board would review the budget again after the public hearing. Mr. Garnjost

reported on a meeting and tour he undertook at Westhill High School regarding the gym facilities.

The Board then reviewed the entire capital budget in light of the \$28 million safe debt limit established by the Board of Finance. It was agreed that the Board had already made substantial reductions to the budget requests. Further cuts, to meet the \$28 million figure, would be counter productive given the city's infrastructure needs. Mr. Garnjost moved to approve the draft capital budget and plan, including the transmittal letter. Mrs. Grosso seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

<u>Minutes for approval #3341</u> - October 2, 2002. The minutes were approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Duane Hill, Chairman, Stamford Planning

Note: These proceedings were recorded on tape and are available for review during regular business hours.