

CITY OF STAMFORD 19TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION CITY DEPARTMENTS COMMITTEE

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AGENDA

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022
7:00pm**

This meeting will be conducted remotely and can be accessed by computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82748228092> or at www.zoom.com – Webinar ID 827 4822 8092 or by telephone at 1-646-558-8656 – Webinar ID 827 4822 8092

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Discussion with Matthew Quinones:

a. Charge #6a – Do you believe that there should be a restructuring of Departments within Operations? In this regards we are aware there has been a recent change, can you provide us with an organization chart to see what Departments exist within Operations? On this we are looking at Charter Sections C5-10-1 and C5-30-1.

C5-30-1 provides:

Sec. C5-30-1 – Duties.

The Director of Operations shall be the head of the Office of Operations and shall be responsible for the administration, supervision and performance of all municipal functions related to, but not necessarily limited to, public works, traffic, parks and recreation, planning, zoning and environmental protection.

Can you briefly go over these Departments and what they do?

Where does the WPCA fit into this provision?

Is it realistic to assume that one person can handle all of these areas?

b. Charge #6b - We have been asked to consider whether it would be a good idea to create an Office of Emergency Management with a full-time Bureau Chief. Do you think that this is a good idea?

Do you believe that the Direction of Operations should live either in Stamford, or no more than fifteen miles from City Hall. This is a position which is instrumental in any emergency, as such does the individual in this position need to be readily available.

C5-30-5 provides

Sec. C5-30-5. Park and Recreation Functions.

Within the Office of Operations, there shall be a Superintendent of Parks and Recreation appointed by the Mayor according to the provisions of this Charter, who, under the advice, instruction and direction of the Director of Operations, shall be responsible for the following park and recreation functions:

- (1) The establishment, construction, maintenance and operation of all parks, public recreation areas, public beaches and any structures and monuments thereon;
- (2) Providing areas and facilities for passive recreation;
- (3) Supervising all public recreation programs for the City;
- (4) The control, direction and supervision of all public activities at parks and public recreation areas, and whenever the Board of Education consents thereto, school playgrounds, stadia, and school buildings and grounds;
- (5) Providing for the care and control of all trees and shrubs within the limits of any public road;
- (6) Organizing operating divisions with supervisors and necessary assistants within the appropriation therefor to administer and enforce City policies, rules and regulations;
- (7) Performing any other duties imposed by law, ordinance, or the Parks and Recreation Commission;
- (8) The maintenance and operation of the E. Gaynor Brennan Sr. Municipal Golf Course and any other golf course under the jurisdiction of the Golf Commission.
- (9) The maintenance and operation of the Terry Connors Rink.

Given the recent change in position for Kevin Murray how do you see this working as set forth?

5. Review grid on Charter Issues for accuracy and recommendation to the full Charter Review Commission
6. New Business
7. Adjournment