CITY OF STAMFORD 19TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION APPOINTED BOARDS COMMITTEE

Michael Larobina, Chair

Members

Jeannette Bilicznianski

Cynthia Bowser

Steven Kolenberg

Frances Lane

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Larobina at 7:03 p.m. Present at the meeting were Commissioners, Larobina, Lane, Bilicznianski and Bowser. Commissioner Kolenberg was excused.

Agenda Item Number 3:

Review and discussion were had on the Commission on Aging, Health Commission and the Social Services Commission.

Commission on Aging: taking into consideration the input from the Director of the Senior Center, after discussion, Commissioner Lane made a motion to make no changes to the current ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Bilicznianski. Said motion passed 4-0-0.

Health Commission: taking into consideration the input from the Health Director, after discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee that Chair Larobina should seek the further input of the Health Director on the following language:

"Appointing authority shall consider appointing commissioners who possess experience and qualifications in public health, environmental health and community outreach."

Social Services Commission: taking into consideration the input from the Director of Social Services, after discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee to hold this item. Chair Larobina was asked to look at other municipalities in Connecticut for further guidance on their social services commissions.

Agenda Item Number 4:

Commissioner Bilicznianski started the conversation on creating a commission on diversity, equity and inclusion. Chair Larobina presented proposed language he drafted for the committee's consideration. After discussion it was decided by consensus that Chair Larobina should invite Carmen Hughes from the City of Stamford and one outside expert. Chair Larobina will arrange such a meeting. Said item was held.

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Agenda Item Number 5:

Commissioner Lane asked to look at the proposed language the Committee previously voted on with respect to a commission on disabilities. After discussion, it was decided by consensus to proceed forward with the previously adopted language.

The Committee adjourned at 8:40 pm upon motion made by Commissioner Lane, seconded by Commissioner Bilicznianski and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D. Larobina, Chair January 13, 2023

This meeting is available on video