

**STAMFORD PLANNING BOARD
DRAFT MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING - CAPITAL BUDGET
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021
VIA THE INTERNET & CONFERENCE CALL
12:30 P.M.**

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Stamford Planning Board Members present were: Voting Members: Theresa Dell, Chair; Jay Tepper, Vice Chair; and Michael Buccino. Absent: Jennifer Godzeno, Secretary & Voting Member; Michael Totilo, Voting Member; William Levin, Alternate and Claire Fishman, Alternate. Present for staff: David W. Woods, PhD, FAICP, Deputy Director of Planning; Lou Casolo, Engineering Bureau Chief/City Engineer; Frank Petise, Interim Traffic Bureau Chief and Anthony Romano, Management Analyst, Office of Policy & Management.

Ms. Dell called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. and introduced the members of the Board and staff present.

Ms. Dell introduced the Capital Budget item on the agenda.

CAPITAL BUDGET - PROPOSED ADD-ON BY MAYOR DAVID MARTIN:

STRAWBERRY HILL AVENUE & FIFTH STREET LANE WIDENING - PROJECT #CP9049 -

TOTAL AMOUNT \$620,000.00: Strawberry Hill Avenue and Fifth Street lane widening improvements are recommended for the intersection of Strawberry Hill Avenue and Fifth Street to accommodate the traffic generated by the proposed magnet school to improve traffic operations and safety. Since development of the original widening scope and further evaluation of the Strawberry Hill Avenue pavement section, the City's Traffic Department has found that flashing crosswalk beacons and geometric improvements to realign the southbound through lane will be required.

Ms. Dell asked Mr. Romano if he had anything to add and he stated he did not. Mr. Romano introduced Mr. Casolo.

Mr. Casolo made a presentation to the Board providing some background and details on the work to be performed.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Tepper made a motion to approve the Capital Budget Add-on for the Strawberry Hill Avenue and Fifth Street Lane Widening - Project #CP9049 - Total Amount of \$620,000.00; seconded by Mr. Buccino and passed unanimously with eligible members present voting, 3-0 (Dell, Buccino and Tepper)

Ms. Dell asked if this would be added to Capital Budget books and reprinted before going to the Board of Finance.

Mr. Romano stated the current Capital Budget books would not be reprinted and stand completed. This new project would be added at the Mayor's level as a separate page and he would get a copy to the Board on March 8, 2021.

Ms. Dell asked about an addendum stating approval of this project out of session.

Dr. Woods stated a letter would be provided showing this action has been taken so the Mayor will have for his records.

Ms. Dell stated the Capital Budget is closed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

Ms. Dell asked if there was any *Old Business* to discuss; there was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Next regularly scheduled Planning Board meetings are:

- March 9, 2021 - Regular Meeting
- March 23, 2021 - Regular Meeting & Public Hearing (Master Plan Amendment #MP-441- 40 Signal Road)

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Dell adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Dell, Chair
Stamford Planning Board

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