

ANNOTATED AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS
STATED MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014

Committee of the Whole 7:30 P.M.
Stated Meeting 8:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers

TIME: 8:00PM

PRESENT: PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
 LIAM J. MCLAUGHLIN

DISTRICT:

 6 MAJORITY LEADER JOHN J. LARKIN
 3 MINORITY LEADER MICHAEL R. SABATINO

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
DISTRICT:

 1 CHRISTOPHER A. JOHNSON
 2 CORAZON PINEDA
 4 DENNIS E. SHEPHERD
 5 MICHAEL B. BREEN

Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a minute of silence to invoke God's guidance and Blessing upon our deliberations.

Minutes of the stated meeting held on September 23, 2014 approved on motion of Majority Leader Larkin.

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

NONE

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COMMUNICATIONS - GENERALLY

FROM THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD RECEIVED ON
OCTOBER 6, 2014 RE; PLANNED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT IN IP AND OL
ZONES – ZONING AMENDMENT.

FILED

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

SPEAKERS

NONE

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RECEPTION OF PETITION

FROM SUNCAP PROPERTY GROUP, LLC:

Filing application for amendment to the Zoning Map.:

The subject of this petition is located at 323 Tuckahoe Rd, Block 4001, lots 125 and 133 AKA Tuckahoe Motor Inn.

FILED

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SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO.31-2014

1. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCLAUGHLIN, MAJORITY LEADER LARKIN, MINORITY LEADER SABATINO, COUNCILMEMBERS JOHNSON, PINEDA, SHEPHERD AND BREEN:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PERMITTING THE PROPERTY OF 590 PALMER RD. BLOCK 5000 LOT 1 TO MAKE A LONG HOUSE CONNECTION TO THE CITY'S SANITARY SYSTEM IN SMART AVE. (NO EXPENSE TO THE CITY OF YONKERS).

The City of Yonkers, in City Council convened, hereby ordains and enacts:

Section 1. Permission is hereby granted to the property owner of 590 PALMER RD, Block 5000 Lot(s) 1 to make a long house sanitary sewer connection from said lot to a city sanitary sewer in SMART AVE. at his own cost and expense and in accordance with the plan submitted by MICHAEL J. NUZZI, PE. # 062877 dated NOVEMBER 26, 2012 filed in the Plumbing Division, subject to the conditions of a Plumbing Permit to be secured from the Plumbing Division and a street opening permit to be secured from the City Engineer.

Section 2. This permission is granted under the following terms and conditions, to wit:

The granting of this permission shall, in no way, free or release the said owner, or his successors, from the payment of any assessments or benefits accruing to said lot by reason of the construction of any sanitary sewer already built, or that hereafter shall be built, to serve the area within which the lot herein referred to is located.

The cost of construction, maintenance and repairs of said long house connection shall be the responsibility of the owner of the building served by the long house connection.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

THIS SPECIAL ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A STATED MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014 BY A VOTE OF 7-0.

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RESOLUTION

2. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCLAUGHLIN, MAJORITY LEADER LARKIN, MINORITY LEADER SABATINO, COUNCILMEMBERS JOHNSON, PINEDA, SHEPHERD AND BREEN:

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled:

That the settlement by the Corporation Counsel in the amount of FOURTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 (\$14,000.00) of the action entitled ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY a/s/o WILLIAM SHAHEEN, Plaintiff against the City of Yonkers, as Defendant, for property damage resulting from an alleged accident where it is alleged that his vehicle was struck by a City vehicle driven by Deputy Mayor William Regan at the Municipal Parking Lot located at 87 Nepperhan Avenue, Yonkers, New York, hereby is approved and the Comptroller of the City of Yonkers is directed to draw his warrant in the amount of FOURTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 (\$14,000.00) in favor of said plaintiff and his attorneys, MOLOD, SPITZ & DESANTIS, P.C., 1430 Broadway, 21st floor, New York, New York 10018.

THE ABOVE LEGISLATION WAS WITHDRAWN.

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RESOLUTION NO.107-2014

3. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCLAUGHLIN, MAJORITY LEADER LARKIN, MINORITY LEADER SABATINO, COUNCILMEMBERS JOHNSON, PINEDA, SHEPHERD AND BREEN:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS
COMMEMORATING THE 87th ANNUAL YONKERS COLUMBUS DAY
PARADE

WHEREAS, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those whose true purpose and worthy accomplishment foster a spirit of community as they promote and recognize the goals and ideals of the rich cultural heritage of the Italian community; and

WHEREAS, attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 87th Annual Yonkers Columbus Day Parade, to be held on Sunday, the 5th of October, 2014; this auspicious occasion will be organized by the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Yonkers is truly blessed and proud of its many diverse community groups who play an integral leadership role in preserving and displaying the rich history of each community represented in our beautiful mosaic of communities, and

WHEREAS, foremost among these groups is the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee, who lead the efforts each year to highlight the tremendous achievements and contributions of the Italian-American Community, and

WHEREAS, each year the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee hosts a series of weeklong events recognizing Columbus Day, which culminates with the Columbus Day Parade down Seminary Avenue to Midland Avenue in October to commemorate its proud heritage with all the residents of Yonkers, and

WHEREAS, a fitting choice to serve as a Grand Marshal of the 2014 Yonkers Columbus Day Parade, Commissioner Charles Gardner of the Yonkers Police Department embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Italian-Americans of this great City; and

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WHEREAS, Grand Marshal Gardner will be ably assisted in his duties as by his aides, Deputy Police Chiefs Frank Cariello, William Cave and Francis Intervallo; and

WHEREAS, this parade and its attendant celebrations, including the annual dinner dance, would not be possible without the support and dedication of the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee, whose board is composed of prominent members of Yonkers Italian-American community led by President Robert Ferrito, and his board members, Regina C. Cobelli, Dinner Co-Chair; the Hon. Michael Sabatino, Dinner Co-Chair; Anthony Gambardella, General Chairman Anthony Merante, Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, these special events provide opportunities for the Committee to bestow well-deserved honors upon outstanding members of the Italian-American community who have selflessly given of their time, expertise and resources to promote the welfare and advancement of not only the Italian American community but also that of our beloved City of Yonkers, and

WHEREAS, this year the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee has selected distinguished individuals as honorees for the 2014 Columbus Day festivities; Vanessa Osso, Humanitarian Award Recipient; Anthony J. Gambardella, Hall of Fame Inductee; and Caroline Rotante, Miss Columbus 2014; and

WHEREAS, the anniversary of Christopher Columbus's arrival in the Americas in October of 1492 has been celebrated unofficially since the late 18th century and officially since the early 20th century in countries around the world; and

WHEREAS, the first recorded celebration of Columbus Day in the United States took place on October 12, 1792 in New York City, in recognition of the 300th anniversary of Columbus' landing in the New World; and

WHEREAS, Columbus Day has also been observed as a celebration of Italian-American heritage since October 12, 1866; and

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WHEREAS, in 1937, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt proclaimed October 12th as Columbus Day and a Federal holiday; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Congress declared the second Monday of October a national holiday in celebration of Columbus Day; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that these joyous festivities take place during October 2014, which is designated as Italian Heritage and Culture Month in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Yonkers Columbus Day Parade provides an opportunity to celebrate the significant contributions of Italian-Americans so that all people may know and appreciate Italian history and traditions, and of the role Italian-Americans have played, and will continue to play, in our society;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this City Council pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 87th Yonkers Columbus Day Parade, to be held on Sunday, October 5th, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Yonkers Columbus Day Celebration Committee.

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4. BY COUNCILMEMBER PINEDA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCLAUGHLIN, MAJORITY LEADER LARKIN, MINORITY LEADER SABATINO, COUNCILMEMBERS JOHNSON, SHEPHERD AND BREEN:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS
MEMORIALIZING MAYOR MIKE SPANO TO PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER
15, 2014 – OCTOBER 15, 2014 AS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IN
THE CITY OF YONKERS

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month is traditionally observed from September 15th to October 15th of each year; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the contributions that people of Spanish, Mexican, Caribbean, Central and South American ancestries have made to our great City and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month initially started as Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968, it was later turned into a 30-day national celebration and was enacted into law in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month seeks to emphasize that Hispanic-Americans have contributed to American society in meaningful ways; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month acknowledges the contributions of Hispanic-Americans in the Military, the Arts, Education, Entertainment, History, Law, Literature, Medicine, Music, Politics, Science, Sports, and other fields; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic-Americans reflect dedication and willingness to add to the American dream; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend Hispanic -Americans for their contributions in the past and for continuing to develop American society as we move forward in the 21st century; and

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NOW IT BE RESOLVED, that this Legislative Body pause for its deliberations to commemorate September 15th – October 15th2014 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Yonkers.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

THIS MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:20PM