

COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting
November 8, 2023

Mayor Brian Doliver presided at a special meeting of the Common Council held at 6:30 PM on November 8, 2023, in the Common Council Chambers at One Court Plaza.

Present:

Mayor Brian Doliver
Ald. Nancy Allaire
Ald. William Loomis
Ald. David Zieno
Ald. Robert D. Jeffrey

Also:

Director of Finance/City Clerk Dee DuFour
Director of Human Resources Lynn Murray
DPW Superintendent Edward Pepe
Fire Chief Jan Papelino
EMO Stephen Cady
Community Development Director Erik Scrivener
Deputy City Clerk Agnes Eaton

Absent

Ald. Eric Warren
Ald. Fred Gee
Supervisor Robert M. Jeffrey
Supervisor James McNeil

Media Representative: _none_____

Call to Order

Mayor Doliver called the meeting of the Common Council to order at 8:07 p.m.

Correspondence

- ♦ **Holiday Parade of Lights** – Ald. Loomis **moved** to approve a request from the B.I.D. for road closures and Police and Fire Police assistance for the Annual Holiday of Lights parade held on Saturday, November 25, 2022. The parade route remains the same, beginning at Hale/Northrup, proceeding North on Broad St. and ending at Mitchell/Cortland. Street closures will be from 5:30 p.m. to the conclusion of the parade. Seconded by Ald. Jeffrey, approved ayes all.

RESOLUTION #93 - 2023

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR RETIREMENT

Ald. Jeffrey introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City would like to withdraw from the New York State Retirement System's Contribution Stabilization Program (CSP); and

WHEREAS, in order to withdraw from CSP, all previous amortizations and interest of \$58,989.34 must be paid in full; and

WHEREAS, funds need to be reallocated among line items to cover the \$58,989.34; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the City chooses to withdraw from the New York State Retirement System's Contribution Stabilization Program; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the previous amortization and interest payment of \$58, 989.34 hereby is authorized; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfers in the 2023 Budget:

From:

Account No.
BR827

Name

Interfund Transfers - Retirement

Account

\$ 6,666.88

BR827	Interfund Transfers - Retirement	49,465.52
F1990.4	Water - Contingency	1,333.38
G1990.4	Wastewater - Contingency	<u>1,523.86</u>
	Total	\$58,989.64

To:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Account</u>
A9010.8	Retirement - General	\$ 6,666.88
A9015.8	Retirement – Police & Fire	49,465.52
F9010.8	Retirement - Water	1,333.38
G9010.8	Retirement – Wastewater	<u>1,523.86</u>
	Total	\$58,989.64

Seconded by Ald. Loomis and duly adopted, 4 - 0, on a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #94 - 2023 **AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFER TO COVER OVERTIME COSTS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Ald. Jeffrey introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the overtime costs in the Police Department have exceeded the budgeted amount; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of \$47,500 is needed to cover those overtime costs to the end of the year; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee has made recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfers in the 2023 Budget to cover Police Overtime costs:

From:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Account</u>
A1990.4	Contingency	\$10,000
A5110.1010	Street Maintenance – Personal Services	27,500
A5142.1010	Snow & Ice Removal – Personal Services	<u>10,000</u>
		\$47,500

To:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Account</u>
A3120.1020	Police - Overtime	\$47,500

Seconded by Ald. Loomis, and duly adopted, 4 - 0, on a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #95 - 2023 **TRANSFERS FOR 2023 RETROACTIVE PAY FOR LOCAL #1404 CITY OF NORWICH FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION CONTRACT**

Ald. Loomis introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Common Council approved a contract with the Local #1404 City Of Norwich Fire Fighters Association on October 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, transfers are needed to cover retroactive pay covered under the contract; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following transfers in the 2023 budget:

<u>From:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A1990.4	Contingency	\$100,744.84
 <u>To:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A3410.1010		\$ 77,928.59
A3410.1020		<u>22,816.25</u>
	Total	\$100,744.84

Seconded by Ald. Zieno, and duly adopted, 4 - 0, on a roll call vote.

Executive Session

Ald. Loomis **moved** to enter executive session to discuss the sale of property where price may be affected and contract negotiations at 8:12 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Jeffrey, approved ayes all.

Ald. Zieno **moved** to exit executive session at 9:01 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Loomis, approved ayes all.

Adjournment

Ald. Jeffrey **moved** to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Loomis, approved ayes all.