

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 23, 2015
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REPORT OF: Finance Dept., Purchasing Division

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: Cooperative Purchasing, A Heavy Duty Truck with a High Pressure Sewer Cleaner for the Public Works Department, Utilities Division

DATE: September 23, 2015

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-538 (a), a purchase order was requested for the following under the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan for the Public Works Department, Utilities Division.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
Freightliner of Hartford East Hartford, CT.	2015 Freightliner Heavy Duty Truck with a High Pressure Sewer Cleaner	\$228,402.50

The Public Works Department, Utilities Division requested the purchase of a new 2015 Freightliner Heavy Duty Truck with a High Pressure Sewer Cleaner utilizing the State of Connecticut's contact Award 14PSX0239. The new 2015 Freightliner Heavy Duty Truck with a High Pressure Sewer Cleaner will be utilized to clean sewer lines when they become backed up with sewerage and stop flowing. This new High Pressure Sewer Cleaning Truck will be a vital part of the day to day operation of the Public Works Department, Utilities Division. Funding for this purchase is available within the Public Works Department, Utilities Division's account number, 208315101-5740, Sewer Fund, Other Miscellaneous Equipment.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$228,402.50 to Freightliner of Hartford of East Hartford, CT for the purchase of a new 2015 Freightliner Heavy Duty Truck with a High Pressure Sewer Cleaner for the New Britain Public Works Department, Utilities Division utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #14PSX0239.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

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****B.) ITEM # SOLE SOURCE PURCHASING. PURPOSE: \$48,000 TO PHOENIX SOIL, LLC FOR THE DISPOSAL OF CONTAMINATED SOIL FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.**

REPORT OF: Finance Dept., Purchasing Division

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: Disposal of Contaminated Soil for the Public Works Department, Utilities Division.

DATE: September 23, 2015

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 1, Section 2-531 a purchase order was requested by the Public Works Department, Utilities Division for the Disposal of Contaminated Soil.

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Phoenix Soil, LLC Plainville, CT.	Disposal of Contaminate Soil	1,000 Tons	\$48.00	\$48,000.00

The Public Works Department, Utilities Division has one thousand (1,000) tons of contaminated soil that needs to be disposed of in accordance with the State of Connecticut's regulations governing disposal of contaminated solid waste. The contaminated soil that the Public Works Department, Utilities Division has is from City street catch basins that they have cleaned and from sweeping of City streets during 2015. The contaminated soil is being stored in the Public Works Department, Utilizes Division's Deming Road facility in Berlin, CT. Phoenix Soil, LLC is the sole source vendor in the State of Connecticut for the disposal and treatment of the Contaminated Soil and is regulated by the State of Connecticut's Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, (DEEP). They treat the Contaminated Soil into a certified clean product. Phoenix Soil, LLC charges a disposal fee of \$48.00 per ton for the Contaminated Soil. Funding is available for the Disposal of Contaminate Soil in the Public Works Department, Utilities Division's account, 208315101-533, Sewer Fund, Professional Services.

RESOLVED: The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$48,000.00 to Phoenix Soil, LLC of Plainville, CT. for the Disposal of Contaminated Soil for the Public Works Department, Utilities Division.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

TAX DEPARTMENT

****C.) ITEM # TAX ABATEMENTS, CORRECTIONS AND REFUNDS.**

REPORT OF: Tax Collector

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #:

RE: Tax Abatements, Corrections and Refunds

The Collector of Taxes has referred a list of tax abatements, corrections and refunds. Acceptance and adoption is respectfully recommended.

Cheryl S. Blogoslawski
Tax Collector

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HUD GRANTS COMMITTEE**

**D.) 33244 RECOMMENDATION FOR RESOLUTION 33244. PURPOSE: 2015 CONSOLIDATED PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT.

REPORT OF: HUD GRANTS COMMITTEE

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to report the following:

ITEM #: 33244
RE:

The HUD Grants Committee of the Common Council at a special meeting held on Wednesday evening, September 9, 2015, at 8:00 PM in the Council Chambers, to which was referred the matter of resolution #33244 – 2015 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment, voted to accept and referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderman Suzanne Bielinski
President Pro Tempore

RESOLUTIONS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE

1.) 33244 HUD GRANTS COMMITTEE. PURPOSE: 2015 CONSOLIDATED PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT. C. CARLOZZI, JR., J. GIANTONIO, E. SANCHEZ

Item #33244 RE: 2015 CONSOLIDATED PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, at its meeting of July 9, 2015, the Commission on Community and Neighborhood Development approved Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the 2015 Annual Consolidated Plan to transfer funds from stalled, cancelled, or completed Community Development Block Grant projects to new “shovel ready” projects as follows:

Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment No. 1

Transfer Out

FY 2006 Neighborhood Preservation Program	\$1,719.89
FY 2007 Neighborhood Preservation Program	\$33,602.57
FY 2009 Housing Code Enforcement	\$406.50
FY 2010 Neighborhood Preservation Program	\$5,732.52
FY 2011 Neighborhood Preservation Program	\$12,886.15
FY 2011 Contingency	\$168,434.33
FY 2012 Big Brothers/Big Sisters	\$5,000.00
FY 2012 Fire Code Enforcement	\$205.00
FY 2013 East Side NRZ	\$8,000.00
FY 2013 Habitat for Humanity	\$50,000.00
FY 2013 Business Assistance Program	\$193,251.44
FY 2014 Clean & Lien Program - Public Works	\$22,560.56
FY 2014 Business Assistance Program	\$90,000.00
FY 2014 Property Rehabilitation Program	\$110,984.04
FY 2015 Property Rehabilitation Program	<u>\$187,117.00</u>
	\$889,900.00

Transfer In

Senior Center HVAC Improvements	\$315,900.00
Trinity on Main HVAC Improvements	\$397,000.00
Arch Street Parking Lot	\$87,000.00
School Auditorium Upgrades	<u>\$90,000.00</u>
	\$889,900.00

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WHEREAS, a public notice of the Substantial Amendment was issued on July 31, 2015, to allow for public review and comment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of New Britain approves Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the City of New Britain’s 2015 Annual Consolidated Plan and authorizes Mayor Erin E. Stewart to submit it to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.
Alderman Jamie Giantonio
Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez

NEW RESOLUTIONS

2.) ITEM # OCTOBER 2015 AS ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH AND COLUMBUS DAY.
C. CARLOZZI, JR.

Item # RE: Italian American Heritage Month and Columbus Day

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, by joint resolution on April 30, 1934 and modified in 1968 (36 U.S.C. 107), as amended, proclaimed the second Monday of October of each year as “Columbus Day”; and

WHEREAS, Columbus Day has become a celebration of not only memorializing the man and his crew who journeyed to America 523 years ago, but also a day to reflect on the professional and social accomplishments of all Americans of Italian descent and their impact on American Society; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Britain is proud to be home to such a distinguished population and recognizes the accomplishments Italian American men and woman have made in fields including business, education, government, law, medicine and public safety; and

WHEREAS, in addition to a strong professional presence, Italian American fraternal organizations, including Angelo Tomasso Sr. Lodge Order Sons of Italy in America, Calabria Mia, Generale Ameglio Society, Angelo Custode Society, Campodipietra Society and Italian Heritage Foundation, Inc., have long been pillars in the New Britain community and have contributed to the rich, diverse culture of our City; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the City of New Britain proclaim October 12, 2015 as Columbus Day and call upon all residents to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the City of New Britain designates October as Italian American Heritage Month.

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.

3.) ITEM # FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 BUDGET TRANSFER – GENERAL FUND.
W. PABON, J. GIANTONIO

Item # RE: FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BUDGET TRANSFER – GENERAL FUND

To Her Honor, the Mayor, and the Common Council of the City of New Britain: the undersigned beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Whereas, revenue, expenditure, encumbrance and accrual activities for fiscal year 2014-2015 have concluded,

Whereas, the fiscal year 2014-2015 General Fund results from operations (unaudited) are in a surplus position as summarized below:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Revenue	\$ 221,099,064	\$ 221,720,359	\$ 621,295
Expenditures	\$ 221,099,064	\$ 213,847,519	<u>7,251,545</u>
FY14 Deficit from Operations (unaudited))			\$ 7,872,840

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Whereas, the following schedule depicts the General Fund operating results (audited) for the previous six (6) years:

FY 2014	\$ (7,630,000)
FY 2013:	\$ 395,000
FY 2012:	\$ 153,000
FY 2011:	\$ 3,011,000
FY 2010:	\$ (988,000)
FY 2009:	\$ (3,125,000)

Whereas, revenues budgeted for the MBR offset (a revenue offset to the minimum budget requirement (MBR) for BOE) was not realized while revenues from police specials, tax collections, state aid, debt premium and miscellaneous collections were higher than anticipated;

Whereas, in addition, expenditures for employee pension and medical insurance, municipal insurance, sanitation and debt service were lower than anticipated,

Whereas, the FY15 operating surplus will be absorbed within the cumulative fund balance, (\$4,965,000, audited, as of June 30, 2014), leaving an increased (unaudited) cumulative fund balance of \$12,837,840, 5.8% of the FY15 operating expenditure budget,

Whereas, to more accurately reflect fiscal year 2014-2015 operating results, a budget transfer is proposed to adjust both revenue and expenditure budgets to more accurately reflect actual funds received / disbursed; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the line item transfers within the General Fund, as outlined in the attachment, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 be made and put on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Alderman Wilfredo Pabon
Alderman Jamie Giantonio

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