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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

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The Special Meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien on Wednesday the 18th day of April 2012 at 6:58 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Thirteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, Sanchez, Collins, Black, Carlozzi, Hermanowski, Platosz, Brown, Freeman, Pabon, Giantonio, and Bielinski.

Two members were absent: Ald. Centeno and Ald DeFronzo.

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, gave the invocation: O God, our Heavenly Father, bless this Common Council as they adopt a new voting district plan. Grant that this plan will be acceptable to all concerned. We ask this in Thy name. Amen.

The pledge to the flag was led by the City Clerk.

Ald. Trueworthy moved to waive the reading of the Mayor's Warrant, seconded by Ald. Giantonio. So voted.

MAYOR'S WARRANT

TO THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN:

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO NOTIFY Suzanne Bielinski, Shirley A. Black, Rha-Sheen Brown, Carlo Carlozzi, Jr., Roy Centeno, Tonilynn Collins, David DeFronzo, J. Tobias Freeman, Jamie Giantonio, Lawrence J. Hermanowski, Eva Magnuszewski, Wilfredo Pabon, Adam Platosz, Emmanuel R. Sanchez, and Michael W. Trueworthy, Aldermen and Alderwomen of said city, that there will be a special meeting of the Common Council on Wednesday, April 18, 2012 at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 27 West Main Street, City Hall, for the following purpose:

1. To act upon a Resolution regarding Reapportionment Commission/Redistricting Committee.
2. To act upon a Resolution regarding the 2012 July 4th Fireworks.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, but due service and return make according to law.
Dated at New Britain, this 17th day of April 2012.

Timothy E. O'Brien Jr., Mayor

RESOLUTIONS

31712-2 RE: NEW VOTING DISTRICT PLAN

To His 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, every ten years the State of Connecticut must re-draw lines for General Assembly districts; and

WHEREAS, every ten years, the City of New Britain must establish new voting precincts to conform with the new General Assembly districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-4 of the Charter, the Common Council appointed a Reapportionment Commission/Redistricting Commission to make a recommendation to the full Common Council; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2012, the Reapportionment Commission/Redistricting Commission recommended a voting district plan to the Common Council; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED; that the Common Council of the City of New Britain hereby adopts the voting district plan as amended by the full Common Council and set forth in the attached map; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED; that upon the adoption of this resolution the effective date of such voting district plan shall be June 1, 2012 and shall have the full force of law; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED; that the approved voting district plan shall be filed with the Town Clerk and with the Registrar of Voters; and it shall be publicized in accordance with the state statutes.

Alderman Michael W. Trueworthy,
President Pro Tempore

Alderman Lawrence Hermanowski
Alderman Wilfredo Pabon
Alderman Jamie Giantonio

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. Roll call vote – 13 in favor, 0 opposed. IN FAVOR: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, Sanchez, Collins, Black, Carlozzi, Hermanowski, Platosz, Brown, Freeman, Pabon, Giantonio and Bielinski. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 19th day of April 2012.

31824 RE: BUDGET TRANSFER – FIREWORKS 2012

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

PURPOSE: To authorize the Mayor to sign a contract, all permits, and firework documents related to the firework show on July 4, 2012. In addition the City has a fiscal year that ends at June 30th and a new fiscal year begins on July 1st. The Finance Department needs time to process the payment for July 4th, but the July 4th Fireworks budget money is not available until July 1st of FY 13. Due to the timing of this transaction happening at fiscal year end, the cost of the July 4, 2012 fireworks celebration will come out of Fund 256, the on-going Fireworks Fund.

Whereas, the Purchasing Agent for the City of New Britain went out to bid for a \$25,000 firework show, and

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Whereas, over 45,000 people were in attendance for last year's firework show at Stanley Quarter Park, and

Whereas, the Parks and Recreation administration has analyzed the bids that were received and interviewed the most responsible bidder and is recommending Pyrotecnico out of New Castle, Pennsylvania, and

Whereas, Pyrotecnico offered the largest number of shells and sizes as desired by the Parks and Recreation Department, and

Whereas, the Parks and Recreation administration has contacted references that were all positive, and

Whereas, \$25,000 must be attained from various sources. There is \$12,000 set aside in the FY 13 General Fund Budget 001450000-5807 Fireworks account that can be transferred to 001152000-7010 Transfer Out to Other Funds,

Therefore be it, Resolved, that monies be transferred within the FY 2012-2013 General Fund Budget for this purpose as follows:

From:			
001450000-5807	Non-Department Events – July 4th Fireworks	\$	12,000
To:			
001152000-7010	Financial Administration – Transfer to Other Funds	\$	12,000

Therefore, Be It Further Resolved, the Common Council authorize Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien Jr. to enter into an agreement with Pyrotecnico and sign any appropriate documents required by the State of Connecticut and local officials. In addition to that the Fireworks Fund budget be amended for this purpose as follows:

Increase Revenues:			
256417002-4512	Fireworks Fund - Donations	\$	13,000
256417002-6001	Fireworks Fund - Transfer from General Fund	\$	12,000
Increase Expenditures:			
256417002-5807	Fireworks Fund – July 4th Fireworks	\$	25,000

Alderman Shirley A. Black
Alderman Jamie Giantonio
Alderman Rha-Sheen Brown
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski
Alderman David DeFronzo
Alderman Emmanuel Sanchez

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Pabon.

Ald. Carlozzi moved to suspend the rules to allow Mayor O'Brien to speak on the resolution before the Council, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted.

The Council returned to regular order.

Resolution accepted and adopted by voice vote. Approved April 19, 2012 by Timothy E. O'Brien, Mayor.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Sanchez. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk