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REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

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Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien called the Regular Meeting of the Common Council to order on Wednesday, the 9th day of May 2012 at 8:13 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall.

Fifteen members were present at roll call: Ald. Trueworthy, Magnuszewski, Centeno, DeFronzo, Sanchez, Collins, Black, Carozzi, Hermanowski, Platosz, Brown, Freeman, Pabon, Giantonio, and Bielinski.

City Clerk, Peter J. Denuzze, gave the invocation: O God, our Heavenly Father, bless the City of New Britain and all its citizens. Bless this Common Council and the work they are engaged in. Grant that they work together for the betterment of our City. Amen.

The City Clerk led the pledge to the flag.

Ald. Bielinski moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2012, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted.

Ald. Bielinski moved to amend the agenda by adding 31849(G1), 31850(1A), 31858(9), 31859(10), 31860(11), and by substituting 31856(7). Motion seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor.

Ald. Bielinski moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. Roll call vote – all members voted in favor. Approved May 17, 2012 by Timothy E. O'Brien, Mayor.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITY CLERK

31842 RE: CLAIMS FOR INJURIES AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE

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

CLAIMANTS NAME

- Radek, Mariusz

Peter J. Denuzze
City Clerk

PURCHASING

31843 RE: POOL CHEMICALS FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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

Public Bid No. 3667 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for required purchases of Pool Chemicals for the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding is available for the purchase of the Pool Chemicals in the Park and Recreation's Account Number 001419004-5659, General Fund, Park Maintenance Operating Materials and Supplies.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to twenty-four (24) Pool Chemical Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Pool Chemical Companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the bid request. The responses received are on file in the Town Clerk's Office

The bids were reviewed for conformance to specifications by Parks Department Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Savol Bleach Company a Connecticut based company submitted a bid that was within 5% of the lowest bid submitted by a company located outside of the state for Sodium Bicarbonate. Per City Ordinance Section 2-578 item 10, Savol Bleach Company of East Hartford, agreed to lower their bid to match the price submitted by the lowest out of state bidder for the Sodium Bicarbonate. Therefore, the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department is recommending that the bid for the Pool Chemicals be awarded to following companies who submitted the lowest responsible bid for the Pool Chemicals, Leslie Poolmart, Inc. of Phoenix, AZ for the Diatomaceous Earth Filter Material in 25lb Bags, and Calcium Hypochlorite in 50lb drums, Savol Bleach Company of East Hartford, CT for Sodium Bicarbonate in 50 LB Bags and H. Krevit & Company of New Haven, CT for Liquid Sodium Hypochlorite in bulk delivery and for Calcium Chloride in 50 lb. bags.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue standing purchase orders to Leslie Poolmart, Inc. of Phoenix, AZ for the Diatomaceous Earth Filter Material at \$10.99 per 25lb bag, and Sodium and Calcium Hypochlorite at \$89.99 per 50lb drum, Savol Bleach Company of East Hartford, CT for Sodium Bicarbonate at \$16.49 per 50lb bag and H. Krevit & Company of New Haven, CT for the bulk delivery of liquid Sodium Hypochlorite at \$2.88 per gallon and for Calcium Chloride at \$17.24 per 50 lb. bag on an as-needed basis from June 13, 2012 to June 12, 2013 per the terms and specifications of Public Bid No 3667.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

31844 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – ANNUAL FIRE ALARM SYSTEM TESTING, INSPECTION AND FULL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT

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

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

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Price</u>
Simplex Grinnell East Berlin, CT.	Annual Fire Alarm System Testing Inspection and Full Service Contract	\$16,325.06

The Water Department requested a purchase order for the Annual Fire Alarm System Testing, Inspection and Full Service Contract for their Filter Plant, Administration Building and Pump Station. The Full Services Contract includes component, parts, battery replacement and service calls. SimplexGrinnell has been providing maintenance on this system for the Water Department in the past. SimplexGrinnell is the manufacturer of the Fire Alarm System and has one hundred and eighty-five (185) offices that make up one of the largest service networks in the Fire Alarm and Sprinkler Industry. SimplexGrinnell has no dealers and to go out to bid for these services would not be beneficial to the City. SimplexGrinnell also has a State of Connecticut Contract, 08PSX0264 for these Services. SimplexGrinnell has once again agreed to charge the Water Department the State of Connecticut Contract pricing for these services. The price that SimplexGrinnell is charging the Water Department is at a discounted rate of 6% below their normal pricing for these services. This expense was also presented to the Water Commission at their May 8, 2012 meeting in which they approved this expenditure. Funding for this purchase of the Annual Fire Alarm System Testing, Inspection and Full Services Contract is available within the Water Department's account number 9303500103-5659, Water Operating Expenses, Treatment, Operating Material and Supplies.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$16,325.06 to SimplexGrinnell of East Berlin, CT for the Annual Fire Alarm System Testing, Inspection and Full Services Contract for the Water Department at their Filter Plant, Administration Building and Pump Station utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award # 08PSX0264.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

31845 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – MOBILE WORK SHOP FOR THE NEW BRITAIN WATER DEPARTMENT

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

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

Supplier	Item	Qty	Unit Price
Freightliner of Hartford East Hartford, CT.	2012 Freightliner Heavy Duty Chassis with Utilimaster Specialty Van Body	1	\$127,667.00
	Trade In of Existing Heavy Duty Van	1	<u>(\$9,500.00)</u>
		Total	\$118,167.00

The New Britain Water Department requested the purchase of one (1) new Freightliner Heavy Duty Chassis and Utilimaster Specialty Van Body utilizing State of Connecticut's Contract Award #11PSX0342. This new Heavy Duty Van will replace an existing Heavy Duty Van that the Water Department has been utilizing since 1995. The Heavy Duty Van is utilized as a workshop that carries tools, parts and supplies to make needed repairs to water mains when they break or are in need of repairs. The existing Heavy Duty Van's body has rust and holes in it and it's brake system is obsolete making parts hard to obtain. The van body is manufactured by the Utilimaster Specialty Van Body Company and can only fit on a Freightliner chassis. Freightliner of Hartford is

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also the only authorized Freightliner dealer in the area. The purchase of this 2012 Freightliner Heavy Duty Chassis with Utilimaster Specialty Van Body was presented and approved by the Water Commission at their May 8, 2012 meeting. Funds are available for this purchase from the Water Department's account number, 9303501000-5436, Capital Equipment Expenses, Equipment Maintenance and Repairs.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$118,167.00 to Freightliner of Hartford of East Hartford, CT for the purchase of one (1) 2012 Freightliner Heavy Duty Chassis and Utilimaster Specialty Van Body with a trade in of an Existing Heavy Duty Van for the New Britain Water Department, utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #11PSX0342.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

31846 RE: COOPERATIVE PURCHASING – BITUMINOUS ASPHALT FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT – STANLEY GOLF COURSE

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

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

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Tilcon Connecticut Inc New Britain, CT.	Bituminous Asphalt	150 Tons	\$75.08	\$11,262.00

The Parks and Recreation Department, requested a purchase order for the purchase of Bituminous Asphalt utilizing the State of Connecticut's Contract Award #11PSX0366. The Bituminous Asphalt is needed to repave the golf cart paths at the clubhouse and on the ninth hole at the Stanley Golf Course. The Public Works Department is providing the equipment and labor to make these needed repairs. The paths are very bumpy. The work needs to be completed soon to ensure the safety of the golfers and the golf carts are not damaged. Funding is available for this purchase from the Parks and Recreation Department's, Stanley Golf Course, Account Number 201420101-5435, Building Grounds Maintenance and Repairs.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for \$11,262.00 to Tilcon Connecticut Inc of New Britain, CT. for the purchase of 150 tons of Bituminous Asphalt for the Parks and Recreation Department, Stanley Golf Course, utilizing the State of Connecticut's Cooperative Purchasing Plan, Contract Award #11PSX0366.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

31847 RE: EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER – GARAGE DOOR REPAIRS AT BLOGOSLAWSKI PARKING GARAGE

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division V, Section 2-606a, an emergency purchase order was authorized by the Mayor and issued to the below listed vendor on April 23, 2012:

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<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Douglas Garage Door Center Inc. East Hartford, CT.	Garage Door Repairs at the Blogoslowski Parking Garage	\$5,095.00

The Purchasing Agent reports that a formal bid solicitation and advertisement as outlined in the Purchasing Ordinances was not made for this item. In accordance with Section 2-606b of the City Code of Ordinances, the Purchasing Agent reports:

An emergency purchase order was requested by the Department of Property Management for repairs to an overhead garage door at the Blogoslowski Parking Garage. The overhead garage door had a rusted spring that broke and caused severe damage to the door grill. The door became inoperable and needed to be fixed as soon as possible. No one could enter or exit the garage because of this. The overhead garage door is brought down every night to block off the upper floors of the garage to prevent vandalism and serves as a security door when the garage is closed. It also helps to secure state vehicles that are left in the garage overnight. Funding for the overhead garage door repairs came from the Property Management's account number 001316004-5435, Outside Grounds, Building Grounds Maintenance and Repairs.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

31848 RE: EMERGENCY PURCHASE ORDER – HYDRAULIC SYSTEM REPAIRS ON LADDER #2 FOR THE N.B. FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

In accordance with City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division V, Section 2-606a, an emergency purchase order was authorized by the Mayor and issued to the vendor listed below on April 25, 2012

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
First Line Emergency Service, Inc. Cromwell, CT.	Hydraulic System Repairs on Ladder #2	\$17,212.28

The Purchasing Agent reports that no formal bid solicitation and advertisement as outlined in the Purchasing Ordinances were made for this item. In accordance with Section 2-606b of the City Code of Ordinances, the Purchasing Agent reports:

An emergency purchase order was requested by the New Britain Fire Department for hydraulic system repairs on Ladder #2. The ladder truck was being utilized to conduct an aerial training operations session at Veterans Stadium when a catastrophic failure occurred and the hydraulic lines under the turntable were severed. The hydraulic lines needed to be replaced so the ladder truck could be put back into service. Without this Ladder Truck the Fire Department would not be able to arrive at a fire in a timely manner because another ladder truck would need to be dispatched from another fire station. First Line Emergency Services of Cromwell, CT is an authorized repair facility for the manufacturer of the ladder truck, E-One, and had the parts in stock to make the necessary repairs immediately. Funding for these repairs came from the Fire Department's account number 001212002-5436, Fire Operations, Equipment Maintenance and Repairs.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

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31849 RE: RFP (REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL) FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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

Public Bid No. 3665 was solicited and received in accordance with the Purchasing Ordinances of the City of New Britain for Auditing Services of the City's fiscal year financial statements for the Finance Department. The funding for this purchase is within the Finance Department's account, number, 001625101-5875, Auditing and Accounting Fees.

Invitations to bid were solicited and the bid was duly advertised in the New Britain Herald Newspaper, the City and State of Connecticut's Department of Administration Services websites and mailed to ten (10) Financial Auditing Companies. The Purchasing Agent did not receive any letters from the Financial Auditing Companies on the mailing list who indicated that they could not respond to the RFP request. Responses received are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

The RFPs were reviewed for conformance to specifications by the Mayor, Finance Department Administration and the Purchasing Agent. Each proposal submitted was evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- Auditing Firm's understanding of the scope of services as evidenced by the quality of the proposal submitted.
- Background and experience of the Auditing firm in providing the financial auditing services need by the City.
- Demonstrated effectiveness of the Auditing Firm's proposal to ensure quality and timely completion of the financial auditing services.
- Client references of other Municipalities that they provide this financial services for.
- Background, education, qualifications and relevant experience of key personnel to be assigned to perform this financial auditing services.

Three (3) Auditing Firms, O'Connor Davies, Blum Shapiro and McGladrey were interviewed by the Mayor, Finance Department Administration and Purchasing Agent to get a better understanding of their qualifications and to ask questions regarding the auditing services that they proposed to provide to the City. The Auditing Committee also reviewed the RFPs submitted by the three (3) auditing firms. Therefore the Auditing Committee is recommending that the bid be awarded to McGladrey of New Haven, CT who was the most qualified and submitted the most responsible RFP for the Auditing Services of the City's fiscal year financial statements for the Finance Department.

RESOLVED: That the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with McGladrey of New Haven, CT for auditing services of the City's fiscal year financial statements for the Finance Department for a two (2) year period with the option for an extension for three (3) one (1) additional years per the terms and conditions of Public Bid No. 3665.

Jack Pieper
Purchasing Agent

COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LAW

31841-1 RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES ADDING SEC. 2-397 INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

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

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The Committee on Administration, Finance and Law at a regular meeting and public hearing held on Wednesday evening, May 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to which was referred the matter of Item #31841 – Code of Ordinances be amended to add Section 2-397 regarding Limit term of any auditing firm selected by Common Council to no more than five (5) consecutive years voted to accept and recommend that the following resolution be referred back to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Chair

RESOLUTIONS RETURNED FROM COMMITTEE

31841-2 RE: AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES ADDING SEC. 2-397 INDEPENDENT AUDITOR – LIMITING TERM TO NOT MORE THAN FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS

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:

Resolution Summary: PURPOSE. To limit the term of any auditing firm selected by the Common Council in accordance with Section 7-392(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes to no more than five (5) consecutive years.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW BRITAIN that the Code of Ordinances, City of New Britain, be amended to read as follows (inserted text appears in underline; deleted text appears in ~~strike through~~; new sections begin with the word [new])

WHEREAS, Section 7-392(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, The Municipal Auditing Act, requires a municipality to have its financial accounts audited by an independent auditor on an annual basis and requires that a municipality appoint an independent auditor at least thirty (30) days before the end of the subject fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7-392(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes and the Charter of the City of New Britain, the Common Council has the authority to appoint the independent auditor; and

WHEREAS, a best practice is to limit the term of any audit firm appointed by the Common Council in accordance with Section 7-392(a) to five (5) consecutive years, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Section 2-397 be added to the Code of Ordinances.

[NEW]

Sec. 2-397. Independent Auditor

Any independent auditor or auditing firm appointed by the Common Council in accordance with Section 7-392(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes shall not be appointed or shall not serve for more than 5 consecutive years.

Alderman Michael Trueworthy
Alderman J Tobias Freeman

Ald. Freeman moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Trueworthy. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

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NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

31850 RE: THE FIRM OF MCGLADREY APPOINTED INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDITOR FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 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:

The Audit Committee of the Common Council held a special meeting on May 7, 2012 to discuss the appointment of an independent auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. It is the recommendation of the committee that the City will be best served with the appointment of McGladrey. At a first year fee of \$118,500 and an anticipated 1200 billable hours (split between the General Fund and other funds and activities including CCND, Sewer and BOE State & Federal grant programs), the firm provided the City with the most realistic number of hours and the best per hour price of the firms under consideration.

Whereas: The Common Council is the appointing authority for the independent auditor; and,

Whereas: The City must notify the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management, of the appointment by June 1 annually; and,

Whereas: It is the recommendation of the Audit Committee of the Common Council that the City will be best served with the appointment of McGladrey for the examination of City financial records for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the firm of McGladrey, is appointed City of New Britain independent financial auditor, fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 and be it further

Resolved, that Mayor Timothy O'Brien is authorized to execute an agreement with McGladrey on behalf of the City for the FY 2012 independent financial audit engagement.

Alderman Michael Trueworthy
Acting Chairman, Audit Committee

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

31851 RE: BAZAAR/CARNIVAL – POPE JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS JUNE 20-23, 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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to issue to the Pope John Paul II Catholic School, said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22 of the Code of Ordinances for the period of June 20-23, 2012 for the purpose of conducting a bazaar/carnival on the Pope John Paul II Catholic School grounds, 221 Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Conn.

Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski

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Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and refer to the License Committee, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

31852 RE: SACRED HEART CHURCH ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL "ODPUST" – JUNE 29 AND JUNE 30, 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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be hereby authorized to issue to the Sacred Heart Church Annual Parish Festival "Odpust" said license as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22 of the Code of Ordinances for Friday, June 29, 2012 and Saturday, June 30, 2012 for the purpose of conducting their annual parish festival "Odpust" on the Sacred Heart Church grounds, Broad St. and Gold Street.

Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski

Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and refer to the License Committee, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

31853 RE: DOZYNKI FESTIVAL – AUGUST 25 AND AUGUST 26, 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:

RESOLVED; by the Common Council of the City of New Britain that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to issue to the Polish Council of Greater New Britain, said licenses as may be issued under Chapter 5, Section 5-15 through 5-22 of the Code of Ordinances for the period of Saturday, August 25, 2012 and Sunday, August 26, 2012 for the purpose of conducting the Annual "Dozynki" Festival at the Polish Falcon "Polanka" Field on Farmington Avenue, New Britain, Conn.

Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski

Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and refer to the License Committee, seconded by Ald. Black. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

31854 RE: EXTENSION OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT - \$13,754

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:

Program Objective: To assess the prevalence and demographics of obesity in school age children at kindergarten, 6th grade and 9th grade in the City of New Britain. Health Department nurses will extract data from existing Health Assessment forms.

Local Program Operation Department: Health, under the supervision of the Director.

Resolution Purpose: To approve the extension of grant funding from the State of Connecticut for fiscal year 7/1/12- 6/30/13 with the option to extend it for one additional year, for the New Britain Health Department.

WHEREAS; the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health has granted the City of New Britain an award in the amount of \$13,754 each year.

WHEREAS; these funds are to be used by the New Britain Health Department to identify clients with health-associated risk factors NOW THEREFORE BE IT

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RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Timothy O'Brien, be authorized to sign any necessary and appropriate agreements in order to secure the use of such funds. BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the monies in the amount of \$13,754 be appropriated within a special revenue fund as follows:

REVENUE:		
234522XXX-4222	Revenue – St of CT	\$13,754
EXPENDITURES:		
234522XXX-5124	Part Time Salaries	\$ 9,800
234522XXX-5231	Medicare	\$ 143
234522XXX-5876	Administrative Fees	\$ 800
234522XXX-5611	Office Supplies	\$ 1,211
234522XXX-5331	Professional Services	<u>\$ 1,800</u>
Total Expenditures		\$13,754

Alderman Adam Platosz
Alderman David Defronzo

Ald. Platosz moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

**31855 RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES ADDING SEC. 2-802 –
TERM OF OFFICE FOR DEPARTMENT HEAD**

PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Alderman Michael W. Trueworthy

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and refer to the Committee on Planning, Zoning and Housing, seconded by Ald. DeFronzo. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

**31856 RE: 2012 ANNUAL CONSOLIDATED PLAN – CDBG PROGRAM FUNDS, HOME
PROGRAM FUNDS, ESG PROGRAM FUNDS**

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, the City of New Britain is scheduled to receive funds from the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2012 in the amount of \$1,512,148 under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, \$494,685 under the HOME Program, and \$148,658 under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and

WHEREAS, also during Fiscal Year 2012 the City anticipates receiving CDBG program income of \$588,800 from Revolving Funds through the Neighborhood Preservation Program and \$220,000 through the Business Assistance Program, and HOME program income of \$455,000 through the HOME Rehabilitation Program and \$155,500 through the Homeownership Program which will be used to support new projects under these programs, and

WHEREAS, in order to receive these funds, the City is required to prepare an Annual Plan that is consistent with the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs which was adopted by the Common Council of the City of New Britain, and

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WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed requests for funding consideration under the CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing of the Common Council was held on April 18, 2012, in order to obtain the views of citizens on housing and community development needs and priorities, and to provide citizens an opportunity to comment on the Proposed 2012 Consolidated Plan as prepared by the Commission on Community and Neighborhood Development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of New Britain hereby adopts the 2012 Annual Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit to the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development the 2012 Annual Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs, including certifications and descriptions as required by HUD, said submission to serve as the City's application for CDBG Program funds, HOME Program funds and ESG Program funds, and to execute any agreements, revisions, rescissions or amendments thereto, as necessary for the City's receipt of CDBG, HOME and ESG funds.

Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs

2012 Annual Plan

Community Development Block Grant Program

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
2	Dept. of Public Works	Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 150,000
3	Dept. of Public Works	Curb Ramp Construction	\$ 75,000
4	YMCA	Hart House Improvements & ADA Comp.	\$ 35,000
5	New Britain Youth Museum	Green Lighting at the NB Youth Museum	\$ 5,918
6	OIC	St. Ann School Renovations	\$ 30,000
7	Urban Oaks Organic Farm	Teaching Garden and Growing Area	\$ 12,350
8	DMD	Clean & Lien Program	\$ 20,000
9	DMD	Spot Demolition	\$ 143,405
10	Fire Department	Fire Code Enforcement	\$ 50,000
13	Rebuilding Together New Britain	Rebuilding Together	\$ 60,000
15	Polish American Foundation	Preservation of Sloper-Wesoly House	\$ 35,000
		General Management & Administration	\$ 302,429
		Contingency	\$ 147,314
PS-2	Catholic Charities	Elderly Outreach Counseling Program	\$ 15,000
PS-3	NB Senior Center	Community Support Worker	\$ 10,000
PS-4	RSVP	Senior Volunteer Services	\$ 10,000
PS-5	CW Resources	Homeowner Property Maintenance	\$ 10,000
PS-7	HRA	Wellness Resource Center	\$ 10,000
PS-8	Citizens for Quality Sickle Cell	Sensitize and Empower	\$ 18,000
PS-9	Health Department	Healthy Connections Program	\$ 10,000
PS-11	YMCA of Southington	Special Needs Recreation	\$ 5,080
PS-12	Boys & Girls Club	Project VIP	\$ 17,000
PS-13	Boys & Girls Club	Educational & Cultural Enhancement	\$ 25,000
PS-14	Boys & Girls Club	Camp Schade	\$ 25,000
PS-15	Parks & Recreation Dept.	Every Kid Counts After-School Program	\$ 30,000
PS-16	GrGr. NB Teen Pregnancy Prevention	Educational and Career Components	\$ 20,000
PS-17	YWCA	STRIVE	\$ 9,000

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PS-18	PAL	Football & Cheerleading	\$ 20,000
PS-19	PAL	Summer Youth Program	\$ 19,000
PS-20	Warm the Children	Warm the Children	\$ 15,000
PS-21	Consolidated School District	Mentoring for Success	\$ 11,600
PS-22	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Community-Based Mentoring Program	\$ 5,000
PS-23	Prudence Crandall Center	New Britain Intervention Program	\$ 5,000
PS-24	OIC	OIC Advocacy Program	\$ 10,000
PS-25	Capital Workforce Partners	Youth Employment Engagement Specialist	\$ 10,000
PS-27	YWCA	Sexual Assault Crisis Service	\$ 13,900
PS-28	Human Rights & Opportunities	Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity	\$ 10,000
PS-30	Urban Oaks Organic Farm	Support for Low-Income Customers	\$ 23,152
PS-31	Literacy Volunteers	Community Literacy Tutoring	\$ 26,000
PS-32	HRA	Polish Outreach	\$ 31,500
PS-33	Spanish Speaking Center	Gen. Case Management & Nutrition	<u>\$ 31,500</u>
		CDBG Total	\$1,512,148

HOME Program

HOME-2	DMD	Homeownership Program	\$ 100,230
HOME-3	HRA	Supportive Housing for People with AIDS	\$ 70,554
HOME-4	Habitat for Humanity	Home Ownership Program	\$ 100,000
HOME-5	DMD	New Construction	\$ 100,230
		Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) Reserve - 15% of Total	\$ 74,203
		HOME Administration	<u>\$ 49,468</u>
		HOME Total	\$ 494,685

ESG Program

ESG-1	Friendship Service Center	Emergency Shelter/Overflow and Soup Kitchen	\$ 45,000
ESG-2	Prudence Crandall Center	Emergency Shelter	\$ 15,000
ESG-3	HRA	Eviction & Homeless Prevention Mediation	\$ 67,509
ESG-5	Coram Deo, Inc.	Case Management	\$ 10,000
		Administrative Costs	<u>\$ 11,149</u>
		Total Supplemental Allocation	\$ 148,658

Alderman Carlo Carlozzi, Jr.
Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Hermanowski. So voted.
Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 15th day of May 2012.

Ald. Freeman was excused for the evening at 8:30 p.m.

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31857 RE: AMENDMENT TO 2011 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR ALLOCATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL ESG FUNDS

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, the Common Council adopted a Resolution Re: 2011 Annual Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs, on July 13, 2011, which included allocations of Emergency Shelter Grant funds in the amount of \$83,116, as well as a supplemental allocation of \$32,666 that had been added when HUD made significant changes to the Program, including changing the name of the Program to the Emergency Solutions Grant and shifting focus on prevention activities, and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2011, HUD provided notice increasing the supplemental allocation by \$14,087, and

WHEREAS, in order to receive these funds, the City must submit a substantial amendment to the 2011 Annual Consolidated Plan, and

WHEREAS, consistent with the new regulations of the Emergency Solutions Grant, the Commission on Community and Neighborhood Development approved Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the 2011 Annual Consolidated Plan as follows:

Administration	\$ 3,951
Continuum of Care Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Activities	\$10,136

and

WHEREAS, the Amendment was made available for public review and comment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of New Britain adopts the ESG Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the City of New Britain's 2011 Annual Consolidated Plan, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development this Substantial Amendment No. 1 to the City of New Britain's 2011 Annual Consolidated Plan, as required by HUD, and to execute any agreements, revisions, rescissions or amendments thereto, as necessary for the City's receipt of the ESG funds.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski
Alderman Eva Magnuszewski

Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Magnuszewski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 15th day of May 2012.

31858 RE: 2012 NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT PROGRAM

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, under authorization of Chapter 228a of the Connecticut Statutes, the Neighborhood Assistance Act provides tax credits for business firms that contribute financially to community programs that have received both municipal and State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services approval, and

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WHEREAS, any municipality wanting to obtain benefits under the provisions of this Act must hold a Public Hearing and submit to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services a list of community programs, approved by the local legislative body, which are eligible for investment by business firms, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing of the Common Council of the City of New Britain was scheduled to be held on May 9, 2012, on the subject of the Neighborhood Assistance Act Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of New Britain hereby approves the Neighborhood Assistance Act Program 2012 Proposal List, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor to submit the approved program proposals to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services and the Department of Municipal Development to administer the Neighborhood Assistance Act Program in accordance with the statutory requirements.

Alderman Carlo Carozzi, Jr.
Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski
Alderwoman Eva Magnuszewski

Ald. Trueworthy moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Hermanowski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 15th day of May 2012.

**31859 RE: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RETAIN AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO
 EXAMINE THE FINANCIAL RECORDS OF THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL
 DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT AND PRECEDING FISCAL YEARS**

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, a significant portion of the City of New Britain's operational budget is allocated to the Consolidated School District; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Britain through the Office of Mayor recently retained an independent auditor to examine the City's financial records; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Britain is hopeful that an independent audit of the Consolidated School District's financial records will result in the identification of certain information which will result in savings in the long run; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorize Mayor Timothy E. O'Brien, Jr. to retain an independent auditor for an amount not to exceed \$ 25,000 to examine the financial records of the Consolidated School District for the current and preceding fiscal years.

Alderman Lawrence J. Hermanowski

Ald. Hermanowski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 17th day of May 2012.

**31860 RE: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF AND
 EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE CITY'S CONTRACT WITH DOWNES
 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
 POLICE STATION HEADQUARTERS**

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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, The City of New Britain Common Council approved a resolution on February 24, 2010 to fund \$35 million for the construction of a new Police Headquarters Building;

WHEREAS, the Council approved a resolution on April 14, 2010 contracting with Downes Construction ("Downes") to act as Construction Manager for the Police Station Project to be located at the City owned property at 121-131 Main Street;

WHEREAS, the City of New Britain Common Council approved a resolution on February 8, 2012 to increase the funding of the new Police Headquarters Building from \$35,000,000 to \$38,850,000;

WHEREAS, all new encumbrances for the Police Station project are subject to the approval of the Police Building Committee appointed by Mayor Tim O'Brien;

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 enables Downes to purchase Head End Equipment for the new Police Station which was approved by the Police Building Committee pending the execution of this Amendment No. 1;

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 establishes a new contract sum for Downes of \$36,354,354 which is consistent with the bond increase approved by the City Council on February 8th, 2012, and modifies language in the original contract that defines the use of contingency funds; now therefore be it resolved:

RESOLVED, That Mayor Timothy O'Brien is hereby authorized to negotiate the terms of and execute Amendment No. 1 to the City's Contract with Downes Construction Company, LLC for the construction of the Police Station Headquarters.

Ald. Suzanne Bielinski – Majority Leader
Police Station Building Committee Liaison

Ald. Willie Pabon – Minority Leader
Police Station Building Committee Liaison

Ald. Roy Centeno
Police Station Building Committee Liaison

Ald. Bielinski moved to accept and adopt, seconded by Ald. Pabon. So voted. Approved by Mayor Timothy O'Brien Jr. the 15th day of May 2012.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Ald. Trueworthy moved to adjourn, seconded by Ald. Bielinski. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

ATTEST: Peter J. Denuzze, City Clerk