REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF GREENWICH  

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS FOR  

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DECEMBER 1998 MEETING  

Item No. 1 - Explanation by the Board of Selectmen  
ITEM NO.: 1  
DEPARTMENT: Selectmen 9810se01  
CONTACT: Charles Graves 622-7710  
REFERRED TO: Appointments, Land Use  
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0  

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/99:  
MARY COLOMBO  

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS  
MARY COLOMBO. 1 Indian Drive, Old Greenwich. New nomination as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term expiring 3/31/99.  
J.D., Fordham Law School, A.B. Brown University. Self-employed lawyer working part-time in the area of sewer sludge management.  
Alternate member of Planning and Zoning Commission since 1993, board member and secretary - Greenwich Land Trust, Inc., former board member of Old Greenwich Association, RTM and Old Greenwich School and Eastern Middle School PTA boards.  

Item No. 2 - Explanation by the Appointments Committee  
ITEM NO.: 2  
DEPARTMENT: Appointments Committee 9810ap01  
CONTACT: Fred Sibley 869-8891  
REFERRED TO: Appointments, Public Works  
VOTES: Appointments Committee 11-0-0  

RESOLVED, that the following named person, nominated by the Appointments Committee, be re-appointed a member of the Building Code Board of Standards and Appeals for a five year term expiring 3/31/01:  
THOMAS CHOLNOKY  

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS  
THOMAS CHOLNOKY. 100 Old Church Road, Greenwich. Widowed, Father of three grown children. President, Sinjon, Inc., Diploma in Civil Engineering, University of Technical Sciences, Budapest, Hungary. Member, Building Code Board of Standards and Appeals since 1972.  

Item No. 3 - Explanation by the Planning and Zoning Commission  
ITEM NO.: 3  
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Zoning Commission  
CONTACT: Peter K. Joyce, Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission and Diane W. Fox, Town Planner /Zoning Enforcement Coordinator, 622-7894  
REFERRED TO: Health and Human Services Committee, Parks and Recreation Committee, Public Works Committee
RESOLVED, that it is the sense of the meeting that, the 1998 Planning and Zoning Implementation Plan - dated November 1998, an addition to and part of the 1998 Plan of Conservation and Development (adopted by the RTM on April 11, 1998), as submitted by the Planning and Zoning Commission to the RTM Land Use Committee for consideration as requested in the June 8, 1998 RTM sense of the meeting resolution, is hereby approved.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
When the RTM approved the 1998 Plan of Conservation and Development on April 13, 1998, members and committees requested that an implementation plan be developed as attached. In developing this Implementation Plan, the Planning and Zoning Commission gave immediate priority to items that can be implemented relatively fast with minimal involvement by other departments. Implementation of items recommended with involvement of multiple departments will take more time and study.

Meetings with the department heads and/or board chairmen of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Conservation Commission, Health Dept. and Tax Assessor have already occurred and their input and concurrence is indicated by the listing and identification of lead agency or department in the Implementation Charts. The implementation and significance of these commitments by the departments will be reflected in work programs and budget items to be reviewed and approved by the BET and RTM over the next several years. Several action items have already begun and are reflected in the next fiscal year FY99-2000 budgets of the largest departments. All policies and recommendations are shown on the attached charts just as they are listed in the Plan of Conservation and Development, indicating the responsible departments. The policies are ongoing. Recommendations, which require action, are summarized separately to show the departments with leadership responsibility and the time periods when they should be started and finished.

Attachments
See spreadsheets enclosed separately.

Item No. 4 - Explanation by the Chief of Police
ITEM NO.: 4
DEPARTMENT: Police Department 9812PD01
CONTACT: Peter J. Robbins 622-8010
REFERRED TO: Town Services Committee
VOTES: Board of Estimate and Taxation (12-0-0)
Approved by First Selectman Ragland

RESOLVED, that the Greenwich Police Department accept a grant in the amount of $15,333 (with an 11% match from the Town in the amount of $1,704 already approved by the Board of Estimate and Taxation) to purchase a Police motorcycle and related equipment. The grant amount of $15,333, upon approval, will be appropriated to Account Code 219-912-9801, Automotive Equipment.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
The Greenwich Police Department requests permission to accept a grant in the amount of $15,333 awarded by the US Department of Justice, Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program (FY 1998). The Grant requires a $1,704 (approximately 11%) match which necessitated a new appropriation from the Board of Estimate and Taxation (approved at their 11/16/98 meeting). The LLEBG program's purpose is to assist local law enforcement agencies in reducing crime and improving public safety. Once approved for acceptance, the amount of $15,333 will be appropriated to Account Code 219-912-9801, Automotive Equipment.
It is the intention of the Greenwich Police Department to use this grant, and the required matching funds, to purchase a Police motorcycle and additional equipment required to put the motorcycle into use as an emergency service vehicle. The estimated purchase cost of the motorcycle, a new 1999 Harley-Davidson police package "Road King", is $14,252. The additional required equipment (emergency lights, siren, power supply units and associated electrical components) is estimated to cost the remaining $2,785.

The Police Department currently has three Road King Motorcycles for the three enforcement officers. The Traffic Technician also rides an older model FXRP Harley Davidson which is a spare. The addition of a fourth motorcycle through acceptance of the Law Enforcement Block Grant will allow all four officers to ride the same model motorcycle with the FXRP model to remain on as a spare.

Attachments
Not Applicable

Item No. 5 - Explanation by the Chief of Police
ITEM NO.: 5
DEPARTMENT: Police Department 9812PD02
CONTACT: Peter J. Robbins 622-8010
REFERRED TO: Finance, Town Services
VOTES: Board of Estimate and Taxation (12-0-0)
Approved by First Selectman Ragland

RESOLVED, that the Greenwich Police Department accept a no-match grant in the amount of $370,126 from the Department of Justice - Violence Against Women - Grants to Encourage Arrests Policies. Upon approval, the same amount to be appropriated to budget line items as follows: 220-195 - $124,166; 220-295 - $25,500; 220-495 - $18,540; 220-909 - $146,620; 220-921 -- $55,300.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
The Department of Justice - Violence Against Women - Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies - is a multi-jurisdiction grant that will benefit victims of domestic violence in the Town of Greenwich and others within Fairfield County. The Town of Greenwich Police Department is the project coordinator. The active participants as outlined in this grant will be forming a core group called the Domestic Violence Prevention Unit (DVPU). The core group is comprised of members of the following agencies: Town of Greenwich Police Department
Domestic Violence Crisis Center (DVCC), Stamford
Domestic Abuse Services (DAS), YWCA of Greenwich
Superior Court, Stamford
Each agency in the DVPU partnership has an equal and active role in designing, developing, and implementing the unit's core goal of - "Domestic Violence Will Not Be Tolerated". Once the unit implements its strategies, training, policies, and equipment, the unit will bring back to the community a plan of action to enhance existing methods of dealing with domestic violence. For the project to be a success, no-match federal grant money was obtained to promote the project.

Attachments
Not Applicable

Item No. 6 - Explanation by the Chief of Police
ITEM NO.: 6
DEPARTMENT: Police Department 9812PD03
CONTACT: Peter J. Robbins 622-8010
REFERRED TO: Town Services
VOTES: Board of Estimate and Taxation (11-1-0)
Approved by First Selectman Ragland
RESOLVED, that the amount of $34,336 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Account No. 213-101, Police Department General Services Division, Regular Salaries GPP.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
We respectfully request an additional appropriation in the amount of $34,336 to the Regular Salaries account code in the General Services Division. This amount will allow for the funding of the position of Director of Administrative Services and Legal Affairs as recommended by the Public Administration Service consultants. (The balance of funds needed for this positions has been accomplished through a transfer of moneys already approved by the Board of Estimate and Taxation at their 11/16/98 meeting.) This position will absorb the duties and eliminate the position of Captain of General Services. The position is a combination of functions called for in the study - that of Executive Assistant, Police Planner and Human Resources Manager.

Attachments
Not Applicable

Item No. 7 - Explanation by the Chief of Police
ITEM NO.: 7
DEPARTMENT: Police Department 9812PD04
CONTACT: Peter J. Robbins 622-8010
REFERRED TO: Finance, Town Services
VOTES: Board of Estimate and Taxation (10-2-0)
Approved by First Selectman Ragland

RESOLVED, that the amount of $26,316 be and the same is hereby appropriated to be added to Account No. 216-101, Police Department Criminal Investigations Division, Regular Salaries GPP.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
We respectfully request an additional appropriation in the amount of $26,316 in the Regular Salaries account code in the Criminal Investigations Division. This amount will allow for the funding of two positions - 1) Deputy Chief of Criminal Investigations and 2) Property and Evidence Clerk - as recommended by the Public Administration Service consultants. The Deputy Chief of Criminal Investigation replaces the position of Captain of Detectives, which will be eliminated through attrition. The civilian Property and Evidence Clerk relieves the three court officers of the responsibility for cataloging, storing, retrieval and disposal of property and evidence so that these officers can perform crime analysis functions in addition to court duties. This request is a result of the recommendations of the Public Administration Service analysis of the Police Department.

Attachments
Not Applicable

Item No. 8 - Explanation by the Director of Parks and Recreation
ITEM NO: 8
DEPARTMENT: Parks & Recreation 9812PR01
CONTACT: Joseph A. Siciliano (203) 622-6472
JSiciliano@TOG_DM2.GTH
REFERRED TO: Parks and Recreation
VOTES: N/A
RESOLVED, that the Town of Greenwich accept a gift of $3,000 in services from the Greenwich Veterans' Council through the Greenwich Arts Council. The gift is intended to make necessary repairs to the "War Monument", a 1956 granite monument designed by Gino Lupinacci located in front of the Havemeyer Building at the corner of Greenwich Avenue and Arch Street.

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
Upon acceptance of this gift, the funds will be used to pay the Conservation and Sculpture Company for their restoration services.

Attachments
See separate enclosure

Item No. 9 - Explanation by the Greenwich Public Schools Business Director
ITEM NO.: 9
DEPARTMENT: Board of Education 9812ED01
CONTACT: Frederick P. Baker 625-7435 Fred Baker@gpdmail.lhric.org
REFERRED TO: Appointments, Education
VOTES: Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

RESOLVED, that the following named persons, nominated by the Board of Selectmen, be appointed members of the Central Middle School Building Committee and the Eastern Middle School Building Committee:

WALTER R. LORENZ
THOMAS L. SMARIO

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS
Presently, the Middle School Building Committees have seven voting members as one of the original eight members has resigned. (The Charter calls for the building committees to have not less than seven nor more than nine voting members.) The two new members are being proposed by the Building Committees.

Listed below is a summary of the background of each individual:

Walter R. Lorenz
Graduate of the University of Colorado. Eighteen years of professional experience in the construction industry. His experience includes work as an engineer, senior estimator, project superintendent, and Vice President for Operations. Has four children attending the Greenwich Public Schools.

Thomas L. Smario
Graduate of Mercy College. Thirty years of professional experience in the construction industry. His company is responsible for installation and construction of multimillion-dollar facilities. Has two children attending the Greenwich Public Schools. Member of the Old Greenwich School and Parkway School Building Committees.

Attachments
None