



CITY OF NORWICH  
CONNECTICUT

**AGENDA – MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH**

**February 22, 2022**

**7:30 PM**

The meeting of the Council will seek to comply with the directives of Section 161-167 of the 2021 Implementer Bill as effective July 1, 2021.

The Mayor, members of the City Council, the City Manager, City Clerk, Comptroller and Corporation Counsel shall be present in person at Council chambers or participate remotely by conference call, video conference or other technology.

The meeting shall be televised on the Public Access Channel and posted on the city website, [www.norwichct.org](http://www.norwichct.org), in real time consistent with directives of Section 163. All remarks or comments made by the Mayor, the members of the Norwich City Council, city officials, and by the public Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Citizen Comment on Resolutions portion of the meeting, shall be included.

The Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Comments of Citizen on Resolutions on the agenda may be made telephonically pursuant to the following instructions:

Call phone number first dial 860-215-8140 and then when prompted, enter the conference ID# 4038191 followed by the pound (#) key.

This number will be available only during the aforementioned Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Citizen Comments on the Resolution portion commencing when the Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Citizen Comment on Resolution portion of the agenda is reached and opened by the Mayor Any calls must be made prior to the Mayor's announcement that the Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Citizen Comment on Resolution period has ended.

Citizen Comments on resolutions limited to the resolutions on the agenda may also be made by email or means of other written communication stating the name, address and title if applicable, of the sender. Emails should be sent to the office of the Mayor at [mayoroffice@cityofnorwich.org](mailto:mayoroffice@cityofnorwich.org) and other written communication sent or delivered to the office of the Mayor, 100 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360. Emails must be received by 7:00 p.m., the above mentioned date, and other written communications received by 4:30 p.m., the above mentioned date, to be made available to the City Council for this meeting.

Citizen Comments will be limited to the resolutions on the agenda only. All speakers taking part in the Citizen Comment General (30 Minutes) and Citizen Comment portion of the meeting shall clearly state their name, address and title, if applicable, before speaking and will be limited to three minutes.



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**PRAYER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CITIZEN COMMENT GENERAL (30 Minutes)**

**PROCLAMATION:** David Bishop

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. An oral report will be given by David Eggleston the Rate Payer Representative for Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative (CMEEC).
2. Report from the Appoint/Reappointment Committee regarding several reappointment/appointments.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**CITIZENS COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS**

**NEW BUSINESS-RESOLUTIONS**

1. Relative to reappointments and appointments of regular members to the Uncas Health District.
2. Relative to reappointments and appointments of regular members to the Mohegan Park Improvement & Development Advisory Committee.
3. Relative to a reappointment of a regular member to the Norwich Ice Arena Authority.
4. Relative to an appointment of a regular member to the Southeastern CT Water Authority.
5. Relative to an appointment of an alternate member to the Historic District Commission.
6. Relative to an appointment of a regular member to the Recreation Advisory Board.
7. Relative to a reappointment of a regular member to the Redevelopment Agency.

8. Relative to a settlement agreement regarding the opioid crisis with Collegium Pharmaceutical.

**NEW BUSINESS-ORDINANCE**

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9 DEFINITIONS, SECTION 9.2 DEFINED TERMS, OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS TO ADD MANUFACTURING RELATED TERMS, INCLUDING MANUFACTURING, ADVANCED MANUFACTURING, FOOD MANUFACTURING, PRECISION MANUFACTURING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, AND RESEARCH LABORATORIES



City Clerk



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Mayors Office

Peter Albert Nystrom, Mayor

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, a city is only as good as the people that live in it and Norwich is blessed with so many that give back to her and **David Bishop** is such a person; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop** has a talent working with his hands and has used that talent to secure sites of Norwich that needed the extra attention and be fixed; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop**, in 2017 saw a Bicentennial Historic Marker on the Norwichtown Green and saw that it couldn't be read in the condition it was in, he spent many weeks carefully painting the marker restoring it to new condition, he also painted the Uncas Leap sign and the Benedict Arnold sign, restoring them to their original look; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop** in 2019 was recommended to paint the Buckingham Memorial sign, a wooden sign that is likely a century old, he restored the sign to its original condition and then looked around the Buckingham and restored the porch and other wooden facades; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop** saw a picture of the Norwich Harbor Mural established 1659 Welcome sign and wanted to bring it back to its original glory, initially commissioned by Ron Aliano, designed and painted by Nancy Bram Mereen, a local artist, and he set to work to fix it, he received permission from Public Works and Police, and Genesee Wyoming railroad; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop** finally had all he needed and he set about restoring the Norwich Harbor sign, spending over 173 hours painting, and he did a beautiful job, the painting is fully restored, then he turned his sight to the wake buoy and did another beautiful job; and

**WHEREAS**, **David Bishop** in the true spirit of volunteerism recaptured the essence of our Harbor Welcoming sign.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, MAYOR PETER ALBERT NYSTROM AND NORWICH CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM, JOSEPH A. DELUCIA, ON BEHALF OF THE NORWICH CITY COUNCIL AND THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF NORWICH**, do hereby thank **David Bishop** and do hereby express our very sincere appreciation for the continuing excellent volunteerism he provides to the community and for the outstanding services he has provided to the Rose of New England.

**Dated this Twenty-second day of February, 2022**

**Peter Albert Nystrom**  
Mayor

**Joseph A. DeLucia**  
President Pro Tem



Appoint/Re-appointment Committee

Memo

They Appoint/ Re-appointment committee held a special meeting via Turbobridge on February 15, 2022 at 3:30pm to conduct the following business:

1. Review, consider and possible action on identifying candidates for Boards, Commissions, Committees and Agencies per referral from the City Council (Resolutions 1-6)

Upon review a unanimous favorable recommendation was made by the committee members of the following individuals to the boards, commissions, and committees listed below:

**1. Uncas Health District**

- Frank J. Jacaruso Jr. (D)
- Rebecca Melucci (U)
- Jose- Michael Gonzalez (D)
- Pam Aubin (D)

**2. Mohegan Park Improvement & Development Advisory Committee**

- Rebecca Melucci (U)
- Judith Magnano (U)
- Marianne Nicholas (D)
- Robert Harris (R)

**3. Norwich Ice Arena Authority**

- Mark Sicuso (D)

**4. Southeastern CT Water Authority**

- Christopher Seery (D)

**5. Historic District Commission**

- Peter Jacob Stahl (R) -alternate member

**6. Recreation Advisory Board**

- Jeffrey R. Brown (U)

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derell Q. Wilson".

Alderman Derell Q Wilson

Chair, Appoint/Re-appointment Committee

**RESOLUTION #1**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be re-appointed as **regular members** of the Uncas Health District with a term to expire on January 09, 2024 or until a successor is appointed:

Frank J. Jacaruso, Jr. (D)  
Rebecca Melucci (U)

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be appointed as **regular members** of the Uncas Health District with a term to expire on January 09, 2023 or until a successor is appointed:

Jose-Michael Gonzalez (D)  
Pam Aubin (D)

Aldерwoman Stacy Gould  
Aldерwoman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

**RESOLUTION #2**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be re-appointed as **regular members** of the Mohegan Park Improvement and Development Advisory Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2022 or until a successor is appointed:

Rebecca Melucci	(U)
Judith Magnano	(U)

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be appointed as **regular members** of the Mohegan Park Improvement and Development Advisory Committee with a term to expire on December 31, 2022 or until a successor is appointed:

Marianne Nicholas	(D)
Robert Harris	(R)

Alderman Stacy Gould  
Alderman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

**RESOLUTION #3**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be reappointed as a **regular member** of the Norwich Ice Arena Authority with a term to expire on April 01, 2023 or until a successor is appointed:

Mark Sicuso (D)

Alderman Stacy Gould  
Alderman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson



**RESOLUTION #4**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be appointed as a **regular member** of the Southeastern CT Water Authority with a term to expire on September 1, 2024 or until a successor is appointed:

Christopher Seery (D)

Alderman Stacy Gould  
Alderman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

**RESOLUTION #5**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be appointed as an **alternate member** to the Historic District Commission with a term to expire on December 31, 2024 or until a successor is appointed:

Peter Jacob Stahl (R)

Aldерwoman Stacy Gould  
Alderwoman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

**RESOLUTION #6**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the below named be appointed as a **regular member** of the Recreation Advisory Board with a term to expire on March 15, 2023 or until a successor is appointed:

Jeffrey R. Brown (U)

Alderman Stacy Gould  
Alderman Tracey Burto  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

**RESOLUTION #7**

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager John L. Salomone has re-appointed with Council approval as a **regular member** to the Redevelopment Agency for a term to expire on 2/28/27 or until a successor is appointed;

Mark Kulos (D)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Norwich hereby acknowledges the appointment of the above named to the Redevelopment Agency.

City Manager John L. Salomone

## RESOLUTION #8

**WHEREAS**, the law firm of Scott & Scott is representing the City of Norwich and 26 other cities and towns located in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Virginia in a suit against Collegium Pharmaceutical Inc. with respect to its sale of opioids, such sales commencing in 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, there was an initial failed mediation to resolve this matter conducted in the Autumn of 2020, with the mediator continuing to periodically reach out to the parties to assess a possibility of settlement; and

**WHEREAS**, such efforts have now resulted in a proposed settlement designed to settle all 27 cases pursuant to an allocation plan recommended by a damages expert using principally three factors in the allocation plan: the relative populations of the municipalities, the relative harm; as measured by the amount of historical opioid sales in each municipality; and the litigation risk; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount to be paid by Collegium Pharmaceutical Inc. will be \$2,750,000 from which Norwich is to receive approximately \$29,399.38 within 30-60 days of a collective approval of the settlement; and

**WHEREAS**, Scott & Scott has recommended to Norwich and the other municipalities it represents that each accept this settlement and has circulated a proposed Collegium Settlement Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City of Norwich to participate in this settlement and to authorize a representative of the City of Norwich to enter into a Settlement Agreement by March 1, 2022 as requested by Scott & Scott.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH** that City Manager John Salomone and/or Corporation Counsel Michael E. Driscoll be and hereby are authorized and directed to enter into a Settlement Agreement with Collegium Pharmaceutical Inc. by execution and delivery of a Settlement Agreement as described herein as instructed by Scott & Scott as well as such other documents as may be necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom  
Alderwoman Stacy Gould  
Alderman Derell Q. Wilson

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**WHEREAS**, the Norwich Zoning Regulations in Chapter 9 Definitions at Section 9.2 Defined Terms define certain words for purposes of the Zoning Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City of Norwich as Zoning Commission finds that adding certain Manufacturing and Research and Development related terms to the defined terms will assist in interpreting and implementing the Zoning Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH**, that Section 9.2 of Chapter 9 of the Zoning Regulations be amended by adding the following terms as listed herein, said amendment to take effect on the 10<sup>th</sup> day following passage and publication of this ordinance pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter V of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter of the City of Norwich.

**9.2 Defined Terms**

Manufacturing Related Terms

Manufacturing is the process of turning raw materials or parts into finished goods through the use of tools, human labor, machinery, and chemical processing. The production, cultivation of food and beverages and other consumable products is allowed as Manufacturing, Advanced Manufacturing, Precision Manufacturing and Research and Development.

Advanced manufacturing is the use of innovative technologies to create products. Advanced manufacturing can include production activities that depend on information, automation, computation, software, sensing, and networking.

Precision manufacturing is the machining of individual pieces that requires identical parts to be created in large quantities for industries such as medical and aeronautical.

Research and Development (R&D) includes activities directed toward the innovation, introduction, and improvement of products and processes.

Research Laboratories means a facility, or a specially designated area of a facility used primarily for research, development, and testing activity, and not primarily involved in the production of goods for commercial sale.

Research and Development – See Manufacturing

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