LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3 PRIMROSE STREET, NEWTOWN, CT WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020

MEETING MOTIONS

PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: Jordana Bloom, Alison Plante, Chris Smith, Ryan Knapp, Judit DeStefano, Paul Lundquist, Chris Eide, Dan Wiedemann, Cathy Reiss, Dan Honan, Andy Clure

ABSENT: Phil Carroll

ALSO PRESENT: First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, Chairman of Newtown Board of Fire Commissioners Patrick Reilly, 3 public, 1 press.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Lundquist called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:34 pm.

VOTER COMMENT: None

MINUTES: Mr. Honan moved to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2020 Legislative Council Special Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Wiedemann. Ms. DeStefano abstained. Motion passes (10-1).

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action

• Discussion of potential referendum question to consider allowing housing within existing buildings at the Fairfield Hills campus as part of Fairfield Hills Master Plan Review Committee recommendation

Ms. DeStefano moved to add the following local question to the ballot on November 3rd: Should the town of Newtown consider commercial proposals at the Fairfield Hills campus that include a housing component, provided that a housing component would be limited to no more than two of the existing buildings, and that the renovation is consistent with the architectural vision for the property? Seconded by Mr. Honan. Motion passes (10-1).

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Action

• Update to Tax Abatement Ordinance for Volunteer Fire, Ambulance and Underwater Rescue Personnel

Mr. Wiedemann moved to refer this to the Ordinance Committee. Seconded by Ms. Reiss. All in favor. Motion passes (11-0).

• Authorization for First Selectman to pursue Newtown's interests in PURA investigation

Ms. DeStefano moved to authorize the First Selectman to pursue Newtown's interests in the PURA investigation. Seconded by Ms. Reiss. All in favor. Motion passes (11-0).

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Wiedemann moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm. Seconded by Ms. Bloom. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Rina Quijano, Clerk

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT THE NEXT MEETING.