



**THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
NEW YORK**

**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

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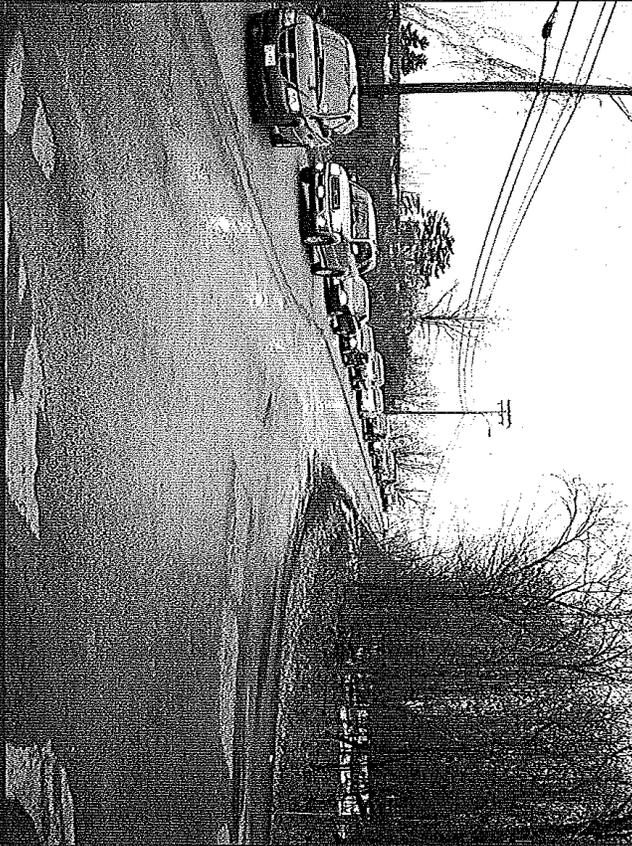
**Monday, May 2, 2016 6:30 p.m.**

**City Hall**

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# Smith Street at Creek Road and Little George Street

Public Informational Meeting  
May 18, 2015, 5:45 PM  
Poughkeepsie City Hall



## **Meeting Format and Purpose**

- Public Informational Meeting
- Federal Funding Requirement
- NEPA Re-evaluation
- Scope Change/New Alternate



# Methods for Comments



- Sign-in
- Comment Sheet
- Comment on the record at end of Presentation
- Provide individual comments after meeting

  
**COMMENT SHEET**  
Project: EN 870-4 - Route 211 Perimeter and Landscape Improvements  
Public Informational Meeting - March 11, 2015 7PM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Contact Information:  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENT  
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Please either:  
Place in box at ENR or  
Mail to: HVEA Engineers  
560 Route 211  
Suite 201  
Boreman, New York 12008  
Fax to: (845) 838-3111 or  
Email: [info@hvea.com](mailto:info@hvea.com)  
Contact Jack Gorman of HVEA Engineers for assistance @ (845) 838-3400.

1485 Route 211, Suite 201, Boreman, New York 12008 Tel: (845) 838-3400 Fax: (845) 838-3111 [www.hvea.com](http://www.hvea.com)

## **Project History**

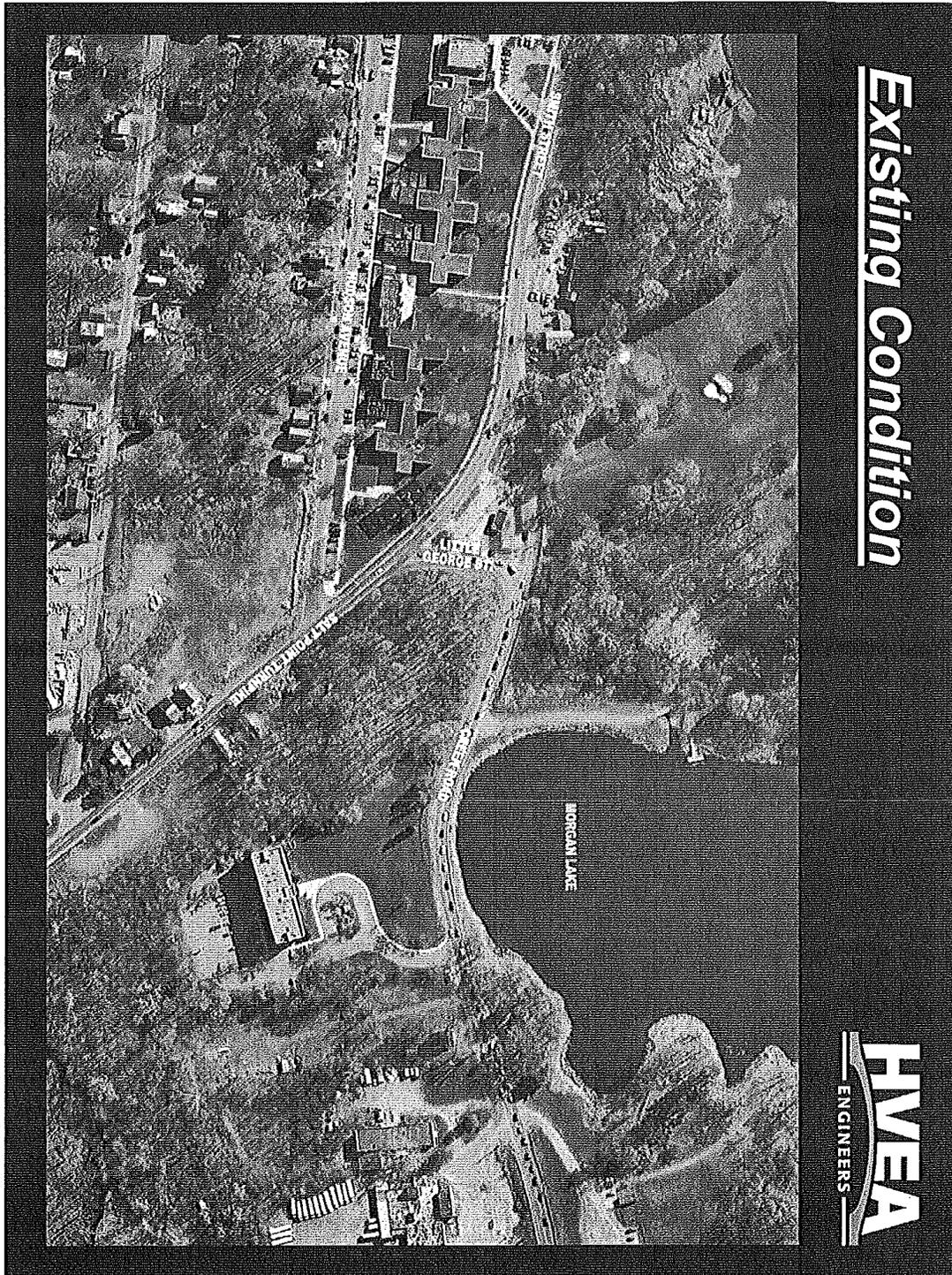
- Project Authorized/Funded in 2000
- NEPA Concurrence 2008
- Authorization to proceed to Final Design and Property Acquisition granted in 2008
- Construction plans completed and offers for property acquisition in 2009
- ARRA funds pursued in 2009
- Right-of-Way and funding issues stalled project
- Federal funds were eventually deobligated
- Federal funds recently reauthorized Spring 2015



## **Elements of NEPA Re-evaluation**

- Public Info Meeting
- Outline New Alternative
- Review Traffic & Accidents
- Outline Right-Of-Way Requirements
- Reaffirm Previous Impacts
- Update Endangered Species Act Review
- Review Stormwater impacts/requirements



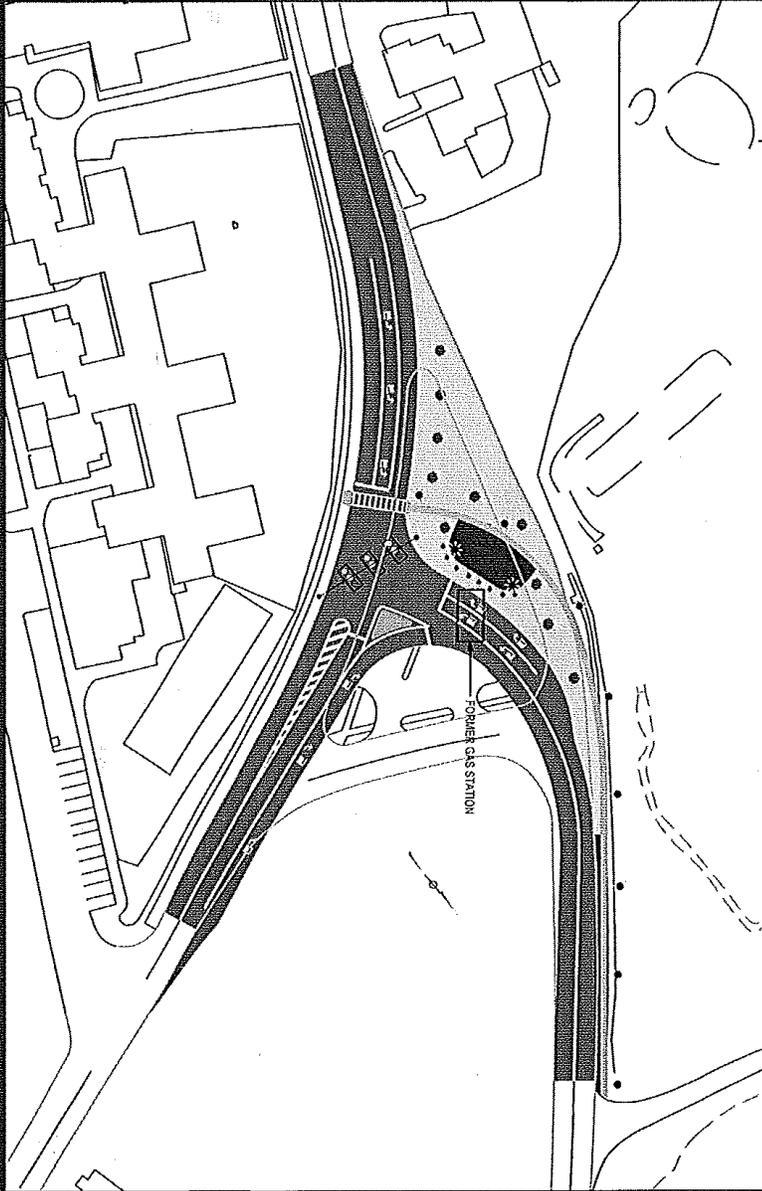


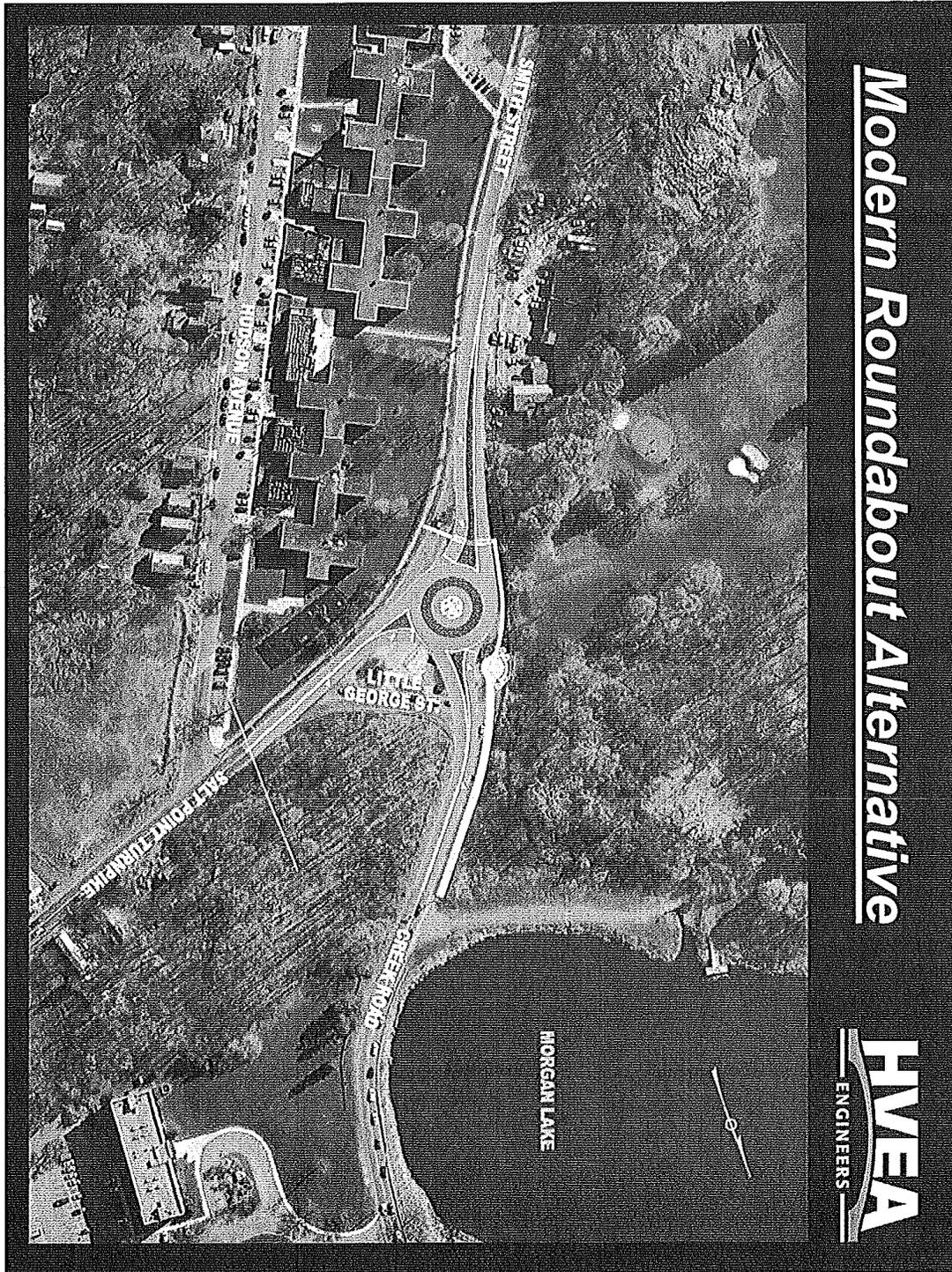
## Objectives

- Reduce intersection delay
- Improve intersection safety
- Develop better pedestrian accommodations
- Provide aesthetically appealing gateway into City



***2009 Preferred Alternative***





**Modern Roundabout Alternative**



## ***Features of Modern Roundabout***

- Efficient Traffic Flow and Safety Benefits
- Aesthetics/Gateway into the City
- Traffic Calming
- Energy & Pollution Advantages



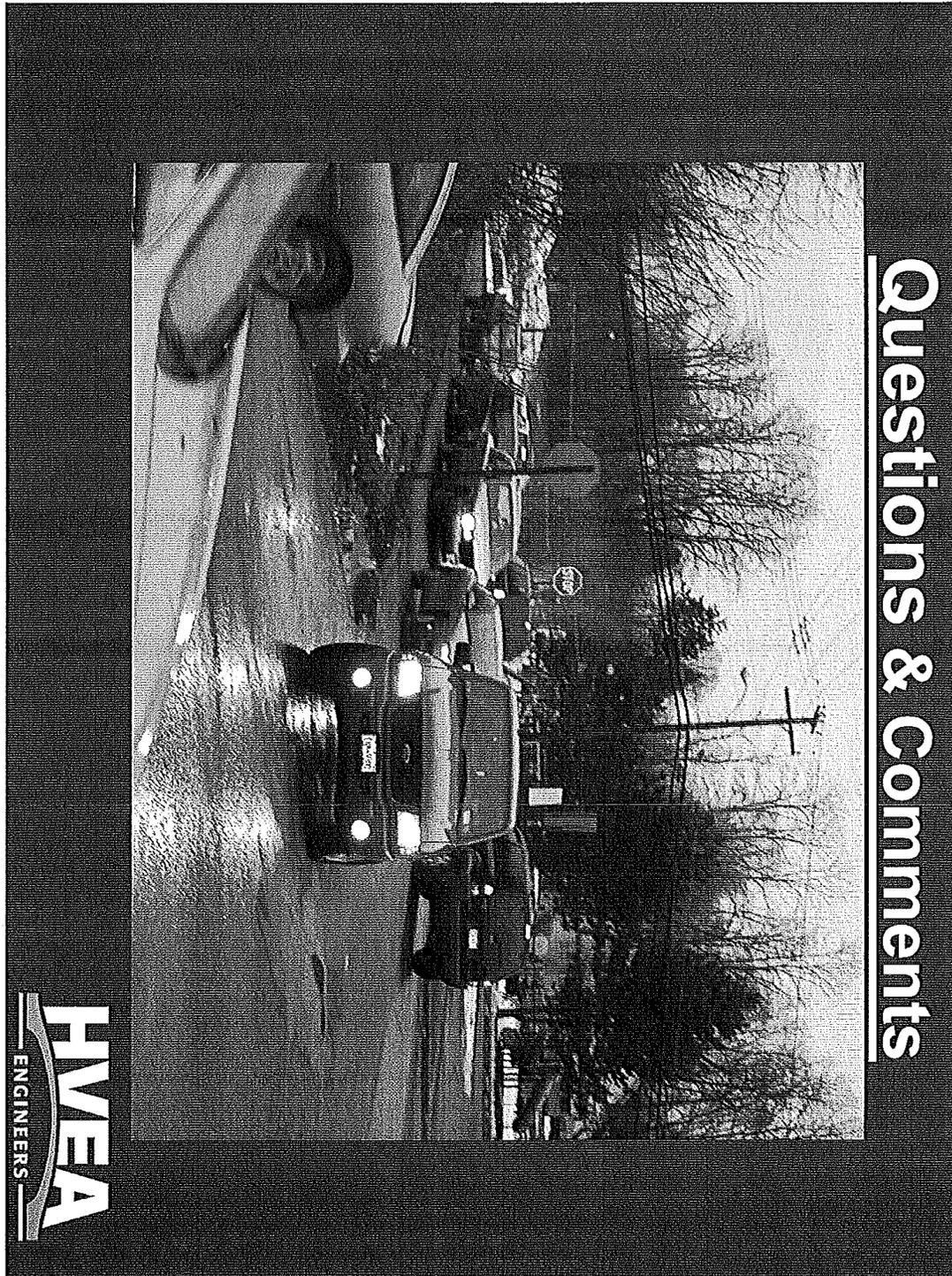
## **Federal Aid / NYSDOT Process**



- NEPA Re-evaluation (NYSDOT/FHWA)
- Right-of-Way Acquisition/Clearance (NYSDOT)
- Construction Documents/Approval to Advertise (NYSDOT)
- Review Bids/Approval to Award (NYSDOT)
- Construction/Project Closeout (NYSDOT)

## **Project Schedule**

- NEPA Re-evaluation Spring/Summer 2015
- Right-of-Way Acquisition Summer/Fall 2015
- Final Design – Summer/Fall 2015
- Plans, Specs & Estimate (PS&E) – Fall/Winter 2015
- Construction – Spring 2016
- June 2016 is a hard deadline from FHWA



**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL**

**II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

**Common Council Minutes of April 18, 2016**

Common Council Meeting Minutes April 18, 2016						
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**III. READING OF ITEMS by the City Chamberlain of any resolutions not listed by the printed agenda.**

**REMOVE:**

**VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-44, approving the financing of the repair of the Financial Plaza Parking Deck.
2. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-45, approving the financing of the reconstruction of Smith/Little George/Creek Road.
3. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-46, approving the repair of a portion of the city hall roof.
4. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-47, approving repair to the city hall air conditioning system.
5. **FROM CHAIRMAN PETSAS**, Resolution R16-48, approving an appointment to the Joint Water Board.

**ADD:**

**VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

7. **FROM CHAIRMAN PETSAS**, Resolution R16-50, approving appointments to the Industrial Development Agency.

**IX. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

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  8. **FROM THE WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON**, a presentation regarding the Discovery Zones.
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Three (3) minutes per person up to 45 minutes of public comment on any agenda and non-agenda items.**

Ken Stickle- 118 Catherine Street

Constantine Kazolias- 47 Noxon Street

Laurie Sandow- 201 South Grand Avenue

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Regarding Charter Review Commission meetings:

I note that Charter Review Commission meetings are held at a time that's inconvenient for the public to attend, and dates of meetings do not appear to be predictable. Is it not a requirement under the City's Charter and Codes that these meetings be videotaped and broadcast? And if yes, why is this Commission—dealing with this very Charter—failing to comply?

Regarding the City of Poughkeepsie Kaal Rock Connector Study:

Notice of the Community Forum on Design Options for the Kaal Rock Connector was not posted until April 6th, 2016, for a public presentation held on April 13th, 2016. In other words, only one week's notice for people to attempt to free their schedules to attend this meeting.

Following that public presentation, a survey on the Kaal Rock Connector was posted to the City website on April 19th, 2016. By today, May 2, 2016 — less than 10 business days later — the survey has already ended and is no longer posted. The survey did not include an option for public to express a "no build elevated walkway" opinion, nor a method for City residents without computer access to participate. Nor can the public still access or review questions posed by the survey.

Regarding <sup>MOTION</sup> ~~Item~~ #6 on today's Common Council meeting agenda, Resolution R16-49, approving the full term appointment of Paul Ackermann as Corporation Counsel, I note the following:

I wholeheartedly object to Mr. Ackermann's full-term appointment.

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1—There is no urgency to consider or vote on this resolution today;

2—My reasons for objecting include, but are not limited to, my experience with Mr. Ackermann regarding the alienation and sale of Wheaton Park, also known as the parcel 36 North Clover.

I note that Mr. Ackermann:

—despite my FOIL of the appraisal document, willfully defeated the public's right to know by withholding the City's only appraisal of the property, dated October 20, 2008, until after he insured the contract was signed;

—refused to answer a FOIL requesting the identities of the members of the committee that reviewed the replies to the RFP for the sale of Wheaton Park, and only when it was not longer timely directed me [the applicant] to other sources for the information requested;

I read from Mr. Ackermann's communication as follows:

**From:** "Ackermann, Paul"

**Date:** December 23, 2015 2:32:46 PM EST

**To:** "Sandow, Laurie"

**Cc:** "Aqeel, Victor"

**Subject:** FOIL

Dear Ms. Sandow:

Now that the sale has been approved for 36 North Clover Street I will be able to release the appraisal. I just to insure the contract is signed first, which I anticipate being consummated on Monday, December 28, 2016. I thank you for your patients. [sic]

Also, with respect to the identity of the members that reviewed the RFP, I denied same based on the fact that I do not have a document. Despite your assertion that I am being "cute", I assure you that is not the case.

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[Laurie Sandow notes that at no point did she assert she found this behavior “cute.”]

I did not appoint the members and as such I do not have a document the contains those names. I do remember some of the members, but it was so long ago I do not remember all. Thus, I do not want to rely on my member [sic] as I am sure it will not be right. I would suggest that you direct your inquiry to the Mayor’s office as he is the appointing authority. I do remember that Chairman Petsas was on the committee.

Anyway, once contracts are signed I will forward the appraisal.

Have a Great Holiday.

Paul Ackermann, Esq.

Corporation Counsel

City of Poughkeepsie

—In the course of Common Council meetings concerning Resolutions and Contract of Sale for Wheaton Park, Mr. Ackermann more than once assured Councilmembers that it was not necessary for them to review or question certain documents delivered to them at the last minute prior to the vote to approve the sale of 36 North Clover;

—May have breached his fiduciary duty to the City by negotiating a contract that clearly favors the interests of the purchaser over the interests of the City of Poughkeepsie.

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**Paul Ackermann, Esq.**  
Corporation Counsel

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**V. MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

**Mayor Rolison** since the last meeting, they traveled to Albany, members Fiscal Advisory Board met with members of the Financial Restructuring Board, at the Governor's Office, and it was a very productive meeting. There was a lot of a lot of back and forth, a lot of preliminary questions. He anticipates hearing back from the FRB, shortly, hopefully sometime midweek on the next steps. Also, on the fiscal side of things, the first quarterly report training for Department Heads, and people who do payroll, and the individual departments. This is being coordinated so that we can get better data into finance, who then can put together quarterly reports on city's fiscal situation, and real time data that can be relayed to both the council and the administration. Also, the DRI, which is the "Downtown Revitalization Initiative", from the Governor's Office, which is 10 million dollars, which Paul Hesse had stated that we are actively going to pursue, we are putting a team together, and will be applying for that money, and will keep everyone posted. There is a tight timeline for the application, review, and further review of applications and specifics, as we move into the late spring and early summer. There was a question earlier, a comment, on the College Hill Reservoir, we are the recipient of an EFC loan with a zero percent interest for the College Hill Reservoir upgrades. Also, the city is receiving 2 million dollars in direct grant money from the State on the College Hill Reservoir project, and we may be eligible for another million dollars in addition to the 2 million. Just want to make note, there was a small card that was left on your desk by Detective Chris Libolt of the Police Department. There is a press conference on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Family Partnership Center. It has to do with the County's new Sexual Assault Response Team, which is modeled against the widely successful Domestic Abuse Response Team, which has been in the place in the county for quite some time. He wanted to make sure that you knew this, and this is for an initiative that the county, with a host of other stakeholders and police departments is starting a campaign by "Start by Believing". If you need any additional information, you can contact the Mayor's Office, or you can contact Chris Libolt.

**VI. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

**Chairman Petsas** informed the council that tonight we have some discussion on some bonding items that will be coming up for a vote by this council at the next council meeting. These are important items that need to be addressed, that haven't been addressed for a long time in the city. One of them is the Smith Street-Little George-Creek Road Intersection that needs to be upgraded. Secondly, we cannot have a leaking roof at city hall, we also have to have our air conditioner working, and both of those are bonding resolutions for the next meeting. Also, the Financial Plaza Parking Deck, which structurally needs a lot of work, and Mr. Klein can attest to that. In the two years that he has served on the council, he has brought it up a number of times. While the city is struggling financially, there are some things that we just can't get around, and we have to have these things repaired, we have to make these decisions, and encourages his colleagues to ask as many questions as they feel tonight, but we really need to support these bonding resolutions as the next meeting to move the city forward. Also, encourages colleagues to support the added on resolution, and that is to appoint two

experienced people to the IDA, that will then fill the IDA, and they can begin to get to work.

**VII. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1. A motion was made by Councilmember Cherry and seconded by Councilmember Johnson to receive and print.**

**R E S O L U T I O N  
(R-16-50)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER CHERRY**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with New York General Municipal Law, the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie is authorized to make appointments of City residents to serve on the board of the City of Poughkeepsie Industrial Development Agency (“CPIDA”); and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the CPIDA serve at the pleasure of the Common Council and concurrent to the terms of the Common Council; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City of Poughkeepsie and its citizens that the CPIDA Board have a full complement of members in order to properly conduct the business required of the CPIDA; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie hereby appoints the following individuals to the Board of the City of Poughkeepsie Industrial Development Agency, to serve at the pleasure of the Common Council for a term ending December 31, 2017:

**Randall Johnson, Sr.  
Paul Calogerakis**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG**

<b>R16-50</b>			<b>Yes/Aye</b>	<b>No/Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
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**VIII. ORDINANCES AND LOCAL LAWS:**

- 1. A motion was made by Councilmember Cherry and seconded by Councilmember Johnson to receive and print.**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING §13-180  
OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED “MOTOR VEHICLES  
AND TRAFFIC”**

**(O-16-03)**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER LORRAINE JOHNSON**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** §13-180 of the City of Poughkeepsie Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by the following additions and deletions:

**Section 13-180 Parking prohibited at all times.**

When appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected, parking upon the following streets or parts of streets shall be prohibited at all times:

North Hamilton Street, west side, beginning at a point [50] **162** feet north of the Fallkill Bridge and continuing southerly therefrom to a point 50 feet south of the Fallkill Bridge

**SECTION 2:** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CHERRY**

**ADDITIONS** denoted by **Bold** and **Underlining**  
**DELETIONS** denoted by Brackets [ ] and ~~Strikethrough~~

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**LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2016**

**A LOCAL LAW TO PROHIBIT AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING**

**INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER CHERRY**

**BE IT ENACTED**, by the Common Council of the City of Poughkeepsie of the County of Dutchess as follows:

- (a) *Legislative intent.* This legislation is adopted in order to protect persons from threatening, intimidating or harassing behavior, to keep public places safe for use by the general public. This legislation is also intended to provide for the free flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on streets and sidewalks in the City, to promote tourism and business and preserve the quality of urban life. The Council finds that aggressive acts associated with solicitation interfere with the free flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic and intimidate persons in public places, and can lead to disruption and disorder in public places. Aggressive acts can also cause persons to avoid public places and lead to declining patronage of commercial establishments and tourism. The Council further finds that solicitation in certain public places is inconsistent with the use of those places, is inherently intimidating, targets persons who are captive audiences or constitutes an invasion of privacy as persons are not able to simply move on if they do not wish to speak to the person soliciting. Solicitation in proximity to bank entrances or check-cashing businesses or automated teller machines is inherently intimidating and should be restricted. By this legislation, the Council intends to promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens and visitors to the City.
- (b) *Definitions.* Wherever used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**AGGRESSIVE MANNER**

- (1) Intentionally or recklessly making any physical contact with or touching another person in the course of the solicitation, or approaching within an arm's length of the person, except with the person's consent;
- (2) Following the person being solicited, if that conduct is:
- (a) Intended to or is likely to cause a reasonable person to fear imminent bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon property in the person's possession; or
- (b) Is intended to or is reasonably likely to intimidate the person being solicited into responding affirmatively to the solicitation;
- (3) Continuing to solicit within five feet of the person being solicited after the person has made a negative response, if continuing the solicitation is:

- (a) Intended to or is likely to cause a reasonable person to fear imminent bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon property in the person's possession; or
  - (b) Is intended to or is likely to intimidate the person being solicited into responding affirmatively to the solicitation;
- (4) Intentionally or recklessly blocking the safe or free passage of the person being solicited or requiring the person, or the driver of a vehicle, to take evasive action to avoid physical contact with the person making the solicitation;
- (5) Intentionally or recklessly using words:
- (a) Intended to or likely to cause a reasonable person to fear imminent bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon property in the person's possession; or
  - (b) Intended or likely to intimidate the person into responding affirmatively to the solicitation; or
- (6) Approaching the person being solicited in a manner that is:
- (a) Intended to or is likely to cause a reasonable person to fear imminent bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon property in the person's possession; or
  - (b) Intended to or is likely to intimidate the person being solicited into responding affirmatively to the solicitation.

**AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE**

A device, linked to a financial institution's account records, which is able to carry out transactions, including but not limited to account transfers, deposits, cash withdrawals, balance inquiries, and mortgage and loan payments.

**AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE FACILITY**

The area comprised of one or more automated teller machines, and any adjacent space which is made available to banking customers after regular banking hours.

**BANKING ORGANIZATION**

All banks, trust companies, private bankers, savings banks, industrial banks, safe deposit companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions and investment companies as defined in § 2 of the New York State Banking Law.

**LICENSED CASHER OF CHECKS**

Any individual, partnership, unincorporated association or corporation duly licensed by the New York State Superintendent of Banks to engage in business pursuant to the provisions of Article IX-A of the New York State Banking Law.

**PARKING LOT**

Any public parking garage, parking deck and parking lot, including, but not limited to those public parking garages and public parking spaces included in §13-317 of the Municipal Code.

**PUBLIC PLACE**

Any area or building owned, leased, operated or controlled by or on behalf of any government, municipality, public authority or public corporation in the City which is generally accessible by the public, including but not limited to any street, including the sidewalk portion thereof, bridge, park, playground, recreation area, cemetery, school or school grounds, building, facility, driveway, parking lot or parking garage, and the doorways and entrances to buildings and dwellings.

**SOLICIT**

Shall include, without limitation, the spoken, written, or printed word or such other acts or bodily gestures as are conducted in furtherance of the purposes of immediately obtaining money or any other thing of value.

- (c) No person shall solicit in an aggressive manner in a public place.
- (d) No person shall solicit within 20 feet of an automated teller machine or an entrance or exit of an automated teller machine facility; or within 20 feet of an entrance or exit to a banking organization or a licensed casher of checks during its business hours.
- (e) No person shall solicit when either the person soliciting or the person being solicited is in a bus shelter or at a bus stop.
- (f) No person shall solicit in a parking lot as defined in this section.
- (g) No person on a sidewalk or alongside a roadway shall solicit from any occupant of a motor vehicle that is on a street or other public place.
- (h) *Penalties.* A person convicted of violating this section shall be fined in an amount up to \$250 or by imprisonment of up to 15 days, or both. In lieu of a fine, the court may impose an appropriate alternative sentence.

**SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON**

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**IX. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. FROM JUSTIN EDWARDS**, a notice of property damage sustained on March 21, 2016. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 2. FROM REGINA M. TERRY**, a notice of claim. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 3. FROM OASIS RESTAURANT, INC.,** a notice of intent for Oasis Restaurant Corporation, d/b/a Union Square tavern to renew their Liquor License. **Referred to Corporation Counsel**
- 4. FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-44, approving the financing of the repair of the Financial Plaza Parking Deck.

## CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE - MUNICIPAL BONDS 101

### WHAT IS A MUNICIPAL BOND OR A BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE

- Debt issued by a municipality to finance specific projects
  - Repayment of the debt is based on the types of project(s) financed
  - *Bonds* – Longer term set repayment plan (greater than 1 Yr)
  - *Bond Anticipation Notes ("BAN")* – Shorter term, requires repayment or renewal within 1 Yr
- Think of your home mortgage, an automobile loan, or even an I.O.U.

### BEGINNING THE PROCESS

- *1<sup>st</sup> Step:* Adoption of Bond Resolution(s) by the Governing Board
  - The resolution provides the authority to enter the debt markets for specific purposes
  - Creates a boarder for the financing (maximum amount, maximum period of time, purpose, etc.)
  - *KEY NOTE:* Since the resolution simply clarifies some of the financing options, flexibility is not an issue. Also, multiple projects can generally be combined into 1 financing.

### NEXT STEPS

- **PLANNING:** Determine a tentative timeline for the financing and the best structure
  - *Credit rating considerations:* Does it make sense to issue long-term bonds with a sub-investment grade rating?
- **MARKETING:** Disclosure documents are drafted and provided to potential investors
- **SALE:** After reviewing the disclosure documents, interested investors submit bid(s) to purchase the debt
- **CLOSING:** Money is transferred

### MORE ON THE SALE PROCESS – COMPETITIVE VERSUS NEGOTIATED

- Two Sale Methods
  - *1. Competitive Sale:* The municipality solicits bids from qualified underwriter(s) and after an award is made to the lowest bidder. Under normal circumstances, a competitive sell will likely yield the best rates.
  - *2. Negotiated Sale:* An underwriter is selected early in the process and begins working with the municipality from the planning stage. The underwriter, in turn, sells the debt to their investor customers. Certain (credit/market) factors create conditions in which a negotiated sale is the preferred method.
    - **Credit Rating:** A portion of the investment community whose own internal credit criteria does not permit them to invest in debt rated below the investment grade level will no longer purchase City debt. This means marketability could be a problem.
    - Working with an underwriter early in the process provides an opportunity for their sales team work to directly with the City. The underwriting team will be incentivized and better able identify other firms whose clients prefer higher interest in exchange for greater amounts of risk.

### OTHER KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- *Cost of Issuance:*
  - There is no surprise; it cost money just to enter the debt markets. Fees of some form are paid to the Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, the Underwriter, rating agencies (depending if a rating was required), and others.
  - Many of these fees are transactional, meaning they are paid every time the market is entered,
  - Limiting these expenses can be achieved rather simply. Similar debt instruments can be packaged together. Doing so reduces the need to enter the market multiple times.
- *Marketing Concerns:*
  - Investors follow ridged guidelines which detail the debt products they are able to purchase. As noted, the credit rating is one of the predominate factors that will be considered. Nevertheless, it is not the only factor:
    - *Issue Amount:* The pool of investors willing to purchase small issue amounts (regardless of the credit rating) is somewhat limited. When the pool becomes limited, two things are increase: 1. interest rates, or 2. the possibility of a failed sale (meaning no investor interest)
    - Packaging debt products can assist in increase the issue amount, which will limit some of the market concerns.
- *Credit Rating:* The City's credit rating is currently considered to be below investment grade, or speculative. As a result, gaining access to the debt markets will be much more difficult and also expensive. It will be imperative to make certain that all market factors are carefully considered.



The City of Poughkeepsie  
New York

William J Brady  
Acting  
Commissioner of Finance

May 2, 2016

To: Common Council Chairman Chris Petsas  
Common Council Members

From: William Brady, Acting Commissioner of Finance *WJB*

Re: Bond Resolution R 16-44, Financing of the repairs to the Financial Plaza Parking Deck  
Bond Resolution R 16-45, Financing the Reconstruction of Creek Rd./Little George St Intersection  
Bond Resolution R 16-46, Financing the Repair of a Portion of the City Hall Roof  
Bond Resolution R 16-47, Financing the Repair of the City Hall Air Conditioning System

Our objective is to have all four resolutions bundled together with a Bond Anticipation Note renewal on July 13 of this year. The BAN renewal is for \$3,288,137, series 2015 B, borrowed for LED Lights and Police Vehicles. It is advantageous to bundle these when we go to market for two reasons:

1. The issuance costs associated with one offering are less than the costs that would be incurred if we went to market separately four different times (5 including the BAN renewal)
2. By making one offering of a larger amount of money, we would hopefully attract more interest from investors than we would by going to market multiple times with smaller offerings.

James Nytko of Capital Market Advisors will be in attendance at tonight's meeting to discuss.

I am also attaching an estimated amortization schedule, prepared by Mr. Nytko, to this memo showing debt servicing requirements in each year of the useful life of these projects for your information.

You should also be aware that in 2017, our Serial Bond debt servicing is reduces from 2016 by more than \$486,000.

Total Debt Service Costs for 2016-7 currently (Serial Bond only):

	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$5,035,908	\$2,226,665.54	\$7,262,573.54
2017	<u>4,835,000</u>	<u>1,941,168.27</u>	<u>6,776,168.27</u>
Year to year decrease	(200,908)	(285,497.27)	(486,405.27)

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**CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE - MAY 2016 RESOLUTIONS**

Year:	Financial Parking Plaza			Creek Road Intersection Improvements			City Hall Roof			City Hall HVAC		
	Auth:	Useful Life:	Estimated Interest	Auth:	Useful Life:	Estimated Interest	Auth:	Useful Life:	Estimated Interest	Auth:	Useful Life:	Estimated Interest
	750,000	15		1,980,000	15		590,000	15		800,000	10	
1	40,000.00	22,379.00	59,006.50	110,000.00	59,006.50	17,536.00	35,000.00	17,536.00	70,000.00	20,787.00		
2	40,000.00	21,639.00	56,971.50	110,000.00	56,971.50	16,888.50	35,000.00	16,888.50	75,000.00	19,492.00		
3	45,000.00	20,847.00	54,793.50	115,000.00	54,793.50	16,195.50	35,000.00	16,195.50	75,000.00	18,007.00		
4	45,000.00	19,875.00	52,309.50	115,000.00	52,309.50	15,439.50	35,000.00	15,439.50	75,000.00	16,387.00		
5	45,000.00	18,831.00	49,641.50	120,000.00	49,641.50	14,627.50	35,000.00	14,627.50	80,000.00	14,647.00		
6	45,000.00	17,719.50	46,677.50	125,000.00	46,677.50	13,763.00	35,000.00	13,763.00	80,000.00	12,671.00		
7	50,000.00	16,527.00	43,365.00	130,000.00	43,365.00	12,835.50	40,000.00	12,835.50	85,000.00	10,551.00		
8	50,000.00	15,117.00	39,840.00	135,000.00	39,840.00	11,848.50	40,000.00	11,848.50	85,000.00	8,154.00		
9	50,000.00	13,627.00	35,966.00	140,000.00	35,966.00	10,656.50	40,000.00	10,656.50	85,000.00	5,621.00		
10	50,000.00	12,057.00	31,727.00	140,000.00	31,727.00	9,400.50	40,000.00	9,400.50	90,000.00	2,952.00		
11	55,000.00	10,417.00	27,135.00	140,000.00	27,135.00	8,088.50	40,000.00	8,088.50				
12	55,000.00	8,536.00	22,347.00	145,000.00	22,347.00	6,720.50	45,000.00	6,720.50				
13	60,000.00	6,600.00	17,243.00	150,000.00	17,243.00	5,136.50	45,000.00	5,136.50				
14	60,000.00	4,440.00	11,843.00	155,000.00	11,843.00	3,516.50	45,000.00	3,516.50				
15	60,000.00	2,238.00	6,154.50	165,000.00	6,154.50	1,865.00	50,000.00	1,865.00				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>750,000.00</b>	<b>210,849.50</b>	<b>553,020.50</b>	<b>1,980,000.00</b>	<b>553,020.50</b>	<b>164,518.00</b>	<b>590,000.00</b>	<b>164,518.00</b>	<b>800,000.00</b>	<b>129,269.00</b>		

\* Assumptions:

- Debt service estimated are based on the issuance of serial bonds
- Uses maximum useful life
- Uses fully authorized amount
- Interest is based on "Baa" rates as of April 29, 2016 + 0.75%. Actual rates will likely vary.
- Principal repayment starting on 1st anniversary

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DUE IN	TOTAL ALL ISSUES	GENERAL FUND	PARKING FUND	JOINT SEWER	SEWER FUND	JOINT WATER	WATER FUND	TRANSIT FUND
0000	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2016	5,035,908.00	3,348,604.21	94,988.23	391,557.37	321,219.48	.00	879,538.71	.00
2017	4,835,000.00	3,153,864.12	98,513.23	320,949.37	297,288.00	.00	964,385.28	.00
2018	5,020,000.00	3,277,165.94	104,652.05	334,773.51	308,089.21	.00	995,319.29	.00
2019	5,170,000.00	3,366,183.31	104,677.05	355,401.51	317,818.97	.00	1,025,919.16	.00
2020	4,150,000.00	2,811,386.48	28,373.11	362,386.42	226,526.31	.00	721,327.68	.00
2021	4,290,000.00	2,932,349.58	28,940.87	374,225.64	206,417.06	.00	748,066.85	.00
2022	4,450,000.00	3,039,564.54	30,269.19	397,685.32	215,772.06	.00	766,708.89	.00
2023	4,620,000.00	3,160,312.25	31,597.46	415,516.01	226,757.97	.00	785,816.31	.00
2024	3,140,000.00	1,981,351.51	30,107.99	432,132.47	218,089.00	.00	478,319.03	.00
2025	2,040,000.00	1,236,644.39	.00	232,146.00	154,629.27	.00	416,580.34	.00
2026	1,940,000.00	1,281,913.77	.00	87,146.00	159,090.94	.00	411,849.29	.00
2027	1,970,000.00	1,342,235.85	.00	87,146.00	159,034.54	.00	372,583.61	.00
2028	2,080,000.00	1,421,769.48	.00	91,432.00	178,435.76	.00	388,352.76	.00
2029	1,710,000.00	1,222,004.03	.00	51,432.00	124,571.59	.00	311,992.38	.00
2030	1,790,000.00	1,280,696.55	.00	51,432.00	130,520.49	.00	327,350.96	.00
2031	1,395,000.00	927,812.20	.00	.00	129,388.61	.00	337,799.19	.00
2032	550,000.00	205,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	345,000.00	.00
2033	570,000.00	215,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	355,000.00	.00
2034	220,000.00	220,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2035	235,000.00	235,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2036	165,000.00	165,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2037	175,000.00	175,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2038	185,000.00	185,000.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	58,735,908.00	37,183,858.21	552,119.18	3,985,361.62	3,382,649.28	.00	10,631,919.73	.00

DISTRIBUTION BOND PRINCIPAL AMORTIZATION

NOTE SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR INDIVIDUAL ISSUES

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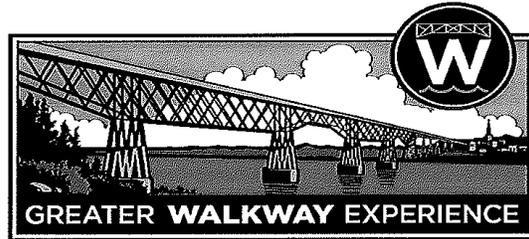
DUE IN	TOTAL ALL ISSUES	GENERAL FUND	PARKING FUND	JOINT SEWER	SEWER FUND	JOINT WATER	WATER FUND	TRANSIT FUND
2016	2,226,665.54	1,488,314.11	21,676.40	119,793.64	141,244.68	.00	485,636.71	.00
2017	1,941,168.27	1,338,768.14	17,675.64	107,481.12	127,821.68	.00	349,421.69	.00
2018	1,749,751.37	1,208,782.65	12,965.42	96,938.57	114,462.14	.00	316,602.59	.00
2019	1,553,480.96	1,075,212.33	8,446.08	85,476.36	101,270.64	.00	283,075.55	.00
2020	1,378,393.33	954,846.34	5,878.37	73,431.82	90,278.04	.00	253,958.76	.00
2021	1,223,089.94	847,055.19	4,802.19	61,214.64	81,492.72	.00	228,525.20	.00
2022	1,062,759.88	735,637.01	3,639.80	48,411.06	72,887.94	.00	202,184.07	.00
2023	893,066.67	618,198.33	2,423.69	33,774.89	63,738.00	.00	174,931.76	.00
2024	742,104.98	518,502.58	1,204.32	20,941.06	54,408.63	.00	147,048.39	.00
2025	634,342.17	449,479.13	.00	10,763.05	46,193.73	.00	127,906.26	.00
2026	528,639.77	394,329.43	.00	16,451.66	39,203.69	.00	111,589.31	.00
2027	468,024.48	334,866.86	.00	5,735.27	31,609.13	.00	95,813.22	.00
2028	372,937.08	271,758.80	.00	2,718.14	23,576.77	.00	80,319.65	.00
2029	295,682.68	210,471.44	.00	2,886.88	16,418.97	.00	65,945.39	.00
2030	215,547.68	151,471.74	.00	1,428.46	10,185.89	.00	52,491.59	.00
2031	129,756.26	88,073.82	.00	.00	3,396.45	.00	38,285.99	.00
2032	83,684.38	60,162.50	.00	.00	.00	.00	23,521.88	.00
2033	59,037.50	51,050.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	7,987.50	.00
2034	41,518.75	41,518.75	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2035	31,450.00	31,450.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2036	22,125.00	22,125.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2037	13,625.00	13,625.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
2038	4,625.00	4,625.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
	15,671,486.69	10,910,324.15	78,711.51	649,077.02	1,018,159.10	.00	3,013,214.51	.00

DISTRIBUTION BOND INTEREST AMORTIZATION

NOTE SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR INDIVIDUAL ISSUES

5. FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY, Bond Resolution R16-45, approving the financing of the reconstruction of Smith/Little George/Creek Road.

6. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-46, approving the repair of a portion of the city hall roof.
7. **FROM COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE BRADY**, Bond Resolution R16-47, approving repair to the city hall air conditioning system.
8. **FROM THE WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON**, a presentation regarding the Discovery Zones.



❖ **The goal of the Greater Walkway Experience project is to:**

Create both the physical and digital infrastructure needed to encourage Walkway State Park's 500,000 annual visitors to venture beyond the Park to patronize hotels, restaurants, shops, and cultural venues in the region.

❖ **Three Tiered Approach**

- Physical way-finding signage
- Digital & Mobile friendly information
- Direct Advertising & Marketing in the NYC Metro area

❖ **13 Gateway Signs**

❖ **9 Discovery Zones**

- Zones
  - City downtown
  - Little Italy
  - Poughkeepsie Waterfront
  - Union St. Historic Neighborhood
  - Southside Historic Neighborhood
  - Highland Hamlet
  - Highland Landing
  - Franny Reese Park
  - Berean Park/Illinois Mt.

❖ **High Tech Video**

- Aerial drone video provided raw footage for:
  - demonstrate the grandeur and world class appeal of Walkway and the many recreational, hospitality, and cultural attractions clustered around it
  - create online video content, and other high impact visual marketing materials

❖ **Digital Wayfinding**

- Deliver easy-to-use mobile-friendly content for smartphone and tablet users
- Develop content including home page menu, map pages showing points of interest
- Interactive digital displays located strategically in the region

❖ **New Website**

- Develop as both a unique destination and as a micro site to walkway.org
- Include an interactive map detailing area Discovery Zones, "Trip Builder" module
- Include links to social media sites as appropriate

❖ **5 Target Markets**

- NY Metro Hikers and Bikers
- History Buffs
- Hudson Line'rs
- Local Pride
- Farm to Table/Foodies

**ENHANCE VISITOR'S EXPERIENCE  
TWO-YEAR SPONSORSHIPS**



6' X 4' Regional Gateway Signs \$4,500

2' x 3' Neighborhood Discovery Zone Signs: \$3,000

X. NEW BUSINESS:

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

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A motion was made by Councilmember Petsas and Councilmember Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

**Dated: May 10, 2016**

**Amended May 12, 2016**

I hereby certify that this true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on Monday, May 2, 2016

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Deanne L. Flynn  
City Chamberlain**

