#### **DELIBERATIVE AGENDA**

# CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION CONFERENCE ROOM 12, CITY HALL MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

1. AGENDA

2. DISCUSSION: Steve Goodkind, Director, DPW and Carol Weston, Special Projects

Manager, DPW, re: Champlain Parkway

3. ADJOURNMENT

LOCAL CONTROL COMMISSION CONTOIS AUDITORIUM, CITY HALL MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 7:18 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Decelles, Wright, Dober, Paul, Berezniak, Shannon, Kehoe, Keogh,

Adrian, Kranichfeld, Kaplan, Bushor, Mulvaney-Stanak, Caldwell and Mayor Kiss

(arrived at 7:22 p.m.)

ABSENT: None

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE: Ken Schatz, Richard Haesler

CLERK/TREASURER'S OFFICE: Jonathan P.A. Leopold, Jr., Ben Pacy and Lori Olberg

### PRESIDENT KEOGH PRESIDING:

#### 1. AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioners Dober and Berezniak, the Local Control Commission voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioners Dober and Berezniak, the Local Control Commission voted unanimously to adopt the consent agenda, thus taking the following actions as indicated:

## 2.01. FIRST CLASS LIQUOR LICENSE RESTAURANT RENEWAL (2010-2011):

Phuong's Kitchen, 1130 North Avenue

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and approve the 2010-2011 First Class Liquor License Restaurant Renewal for Phuong's Kitchen

## 2.02. EXPANSION OF OUTSIDE CONSUMPTION PERMIT (20 specific days only):

Ken's Pizza and Pub, 71 Church Street

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and approve the expansion of Ken's Pizza and Pub's Outside Consumption Permit for the 20 specific dates only that are listed.

2.03. COMMUNICATIONS: Jessica Frank, Executive Secretary, Clerk/Treasurer's Office, Re: Local Control Sub-committee/City Council License

Committee Minutes for September 17, 2009, October 8, 2009,

October 21, 2009, November 4, 2009, November 23, 2009, December 9, 2009, December 29, 2009, January 27, 2010, February 11, 2010, February 17, 2010, March 11, 2010, March 17, 2010 and April 1, 2010

\*waive the readings, accept the communications and place them on file

### 3. FIRST CLASS RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION (2010-2011):

Our Empire, Inc., d/b/a Parima, 185 Pearl Street

Commissioner Dober made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berezniak, to approve the First Class Restaurant Liquor License Application for Our Empire, Inc., d/b/a Parima. It was noted that all fees have been paid and this application was approved by the Licensing Committee. A condition was added that the two co-owners must be current on all taxes and fees owed to the City of Burlington. Any delinquencies would be grounds for suspension or litigation. Following a question from Commissioner Bushor, payments would be reviewed monthly to ensure compliance. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 3.01. OUTSIDE CONSUMPTION PERMIT APPLICATION (2010-2011):

Our Empire, Inc., d/b/a Parima, 185 Pearl Street

Commissioner Dober made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berezniak, to approve the Outdoor Consumption Permit Application for Our Empire, Inc., d/b/a Parima. See above for added special condition.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioners Dober and Berezniak, the Local Control Commission voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

Attest:

Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue Trainor, Assistant to the CAO

# REGULAR MEETING, CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 7:23 P.M.

PRESENT: See above

### PRESIDENT KEOGH PRESIDING:

#### 1. AGENDA

Councilor Adrian made a motion to move the agenda with the following amendments: a substitute resolution was added as item 6 and a memorandum from the Mayor was added as item 6.01. With no second, the agenda was amended unanimously.

#### 2. PUBLIC FORUM

President Keogh opened the public forum at 7:28 p.m.

Name Ward/Affiliation Subject

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Doreen Kraft	City Arts Executive Director	Supported Item 5
Mark S. Waskow	Chair, Art Hop	Supported Item 5
Kathy Soulia	Chair, SEABA	Supported Item 5
Tim Grannis	Jewelry Designer/Studio Owner	Supported Item 5
Sandy Wynne	1	Opposed Phoenix House
Leigh Steele	Northern Lights House	Supported Phoenix House
Kevin Stapleton	CVOEO	Supported Phoenix House
Ted Wimpey	CVOEO	Supported Phoenix House
Beth Garbo	Owner, Local Business	Opposed Phoenix House
Bill Bissonette	Property Owner	Supported Phoenix House
Stu McGowan	Property Owner/2	Supported Phoenix House
Maggie Standley	3	Supported Item 5
Kelly Devine	Executive Director, BBA	Opposed Phoenix House/Supported Item 5
Jason Lorber	State Representative/3	Supported Phoenix House
Jeff Nick	Chair, Church Street Marketplace	Opposed Phoenix House
Matt Young	Supervisor, Street Outreach Team	Supported Phoenix House if they provide quality care

There being no one further coming forward, President Keogh closed the public forum at 8:12 p.m.

# 3. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Councilors Adrian and Bushor, the Council voted unanimously to adopt the consent agenda, as amended, thus taking the following actions as indicated:

3.01. COMMUNICATION: Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting & Records Coordinator, re: Accountability List

<sup>\*</sup>waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

3.02. RESOLUTION: Authorization to Submit 2010 Burlington Consolidated Plan

One-Year Action Plan (Councilors Berezniak, Adrian, Mulvaney-Stanak: Community Development & Neighborhood Revitalization

Committee)

\*waive the reading and adopt the resolution

3.03. RESOLUTION: Approval of the 2011 Budget of the Chittenden Solid Waste District

(Councilor Paul)

\*waive the reading and adopt the resolution

3.04. RESOLUTION: Endorsing A Letter Requesting Grant Funds for the Safe Routes to

Schools Application (Councilors Shannon, Paul, Keogh, Kehoe)

\*waive the reading and adopt the resolution

3.05. RESOLUTION: Authorization to Set Public Hearing Pursuant to the Application Process

for Establishing a Downtown Tax Increment Financing District

(Councilors Berezniak, Adrian, Mulvaney-Stanak)

\*waive the reading and adopt the resolution

3.06. COMMUNICATION: Larry Kupferman, CEDO Director, re: Proposed downtown TIF district

and attached resolution warning a public meeting

\*waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

3.07. RESOLUTION: Correction to Setback Example Error in Zoning Ordinance (Councilor

Shannon)

\*waive the reading and adopt the resolution

3.08. ORDINANCE: COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE—Fuel Station

minimum off-street parking requirements #ZA 09-11(Planning

Commission)(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

\*consider this first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee

3.09. ORDINANCE: COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE—Design Review

Overlay District #ZA 10-04 (Planning Commission)(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

\*consider this first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee

3.10. ORDINANCE: COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE—Tree Removal

and Maintenance Plans #ZA 10-05 (Planning Commission)(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

\*consider this first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee

3.11. ORDINANCE: COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE—Museums

Definition and Use Table Change #ZA 10-06 (Planning Commission)

(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

\*consider this first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee

3.12. COMMUNICATION: David E. White, AICP, Director of Planning & Zoning, re: Proposed

**Zoning Amendments** 

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and send a copy to the Ordinance

Committee

3.13. ORDINANCE: COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE—Neighborhood

Mixed-Use (NMU) District Expansion and Modification #ZA 10-07

(Planning Commission)(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

\*consider this first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee

3.14. COMMUNICATION: David E. White, AICP, Director of Planning & Zoning, re: Proposed Zoning Amendment: ZA-10-07: Neighborhood Mixed-Use (NMU)

District

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and send a copy to the Ordinance Committee

3.15. COMMUNICATION: David E. White, AICP, Director of Planning & Zoning, re: Proposed

Zoning Amendment: ZA-10-07: Neighborhood Mixed-Use (NMU)

District (Maps)

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and send a copy to the Ordinance Committee

3.16. COMMUNICATION: Matthew Mantone, re: Proposed Event Planned in Honor of UN Earth Summit (part of the 4/26/10 Public Forum)

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and refer it to the Mayor's Office for consideration

- 3.17. COMMUNICATION: Wayne M. Senville, Member, Planning Commission, re: Resignation \*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file, advertise the vacancy and send a letter of appreciation to Wayne M. Senville thanking him for his time served on the Planning Commission
- 3.18. COMMUNICATION: Ralph J, Montefusco, Member, Planning Commission, re: Planning Commission Reappointment

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file, advertise the vacancy (already have) and send a letter of appreciation to Ralph J. Montefusco thanking him for his time served on the Planning Commission

3.19. COMMUNICATION: Patricia J. Crowley, Clerk, Board of Electric Commissioners, re: Electric Commission Attendance Record

\*waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

3.20. COMMUNICATION: Jonathan P.A. Leopold, Jr., CAO to the Board of Finance, re: Staff Support for City Councilors (emailed to Councilors on Monday, May 3. 2010)

\*waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

3.21. REPORT: Daniel Shearer, Chair, Burlington Electric Commission, re: Commission

Chair Report

\*waive the reading, accept the report and place it on file

3.22. COMMUNICATION: Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue

Trainor, Assistant to the CAO, re: Minutes, City Council for October 26,

2009

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file adopt the minutes at the May 17, 2010 City Council Meeting

3.23. COMMUNICATION: Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue Trainor, Assistant to the CAO, re: Minutes, City Council for November 9, 2009

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and adopt the minutes at the May 17, 2010 City Council Meeting

3.24. COMMUNICATION: Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue

Trainor, Assistant to the CAO, re: Minutes, City Council for November 16, 2009

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and adopt the minutes at the May 17, 2010 City Council Meeting

3.25. TOBACCO LICENSE APPLICATION (**2010-2011**): Full Tank, 150A Church Street \*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and approve the 2010-2011 Tobacco License Application for Full Tank \*\*this applicant has had a tobacco license for years\*\*

3.26. REPORT: John Vickery, City Assessor, re: Board of Assessors—Commission Report

\*waive the reading, accept the report and place it on file

3.27. COMMUNICATION: Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue Sue Trainor, Assistant to the CAO, re: Minutes, Special City Council,

October 20, 2000

October 20, 2009

\*waive the reading, accept the communication, place it on file and adopt the minutes as received at the April 26, 2010 City Council Meeting

4. INDOOR ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT APPLICATION (2010-2011):

Our Empire, Inc., d/b/a Parima, 185 Pearl Street

Councilor Dober made a motion to approve the Indoor Entertainment Permit for Our Empire, d/b/a Parima, seconded by Councilor Berezniak, with added condition (see Local Control). The motion passed unanimously.

5. RESOLUTION: Officially Establishing "The South End Arts District" (Councilors Shannon, Paul, Adrian)

Councilor Shannon made a motion, seconded by Councilor Kehoe, to waive the reading and adopt the resolution, making amendments to the resolution on the floor. Councilor Shannon added an amendment requesting a City-wide plan that included a South End Arts District with a report back to the City Council by the August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councilor Shannon noted this resolution was in recognition of the work done over the last thirty years to bring artists and businesses together.

Councilor Bushor asked about the City-wide plan referenced by Councilor Shannon. She was unclear what the goal and direction was of this resolution and asked Councilor Shannon to clarify. Councilor Shannon noted that in her discussions with Ms. Kraft, Director of Burlington City Arts, there was concern that a more specific plan was needed on all aspects of the arts in Burlington. Councilor Bushor asked that the group also review and include other areas of the City that work to foster the arts. Ms. Kraft remarked that the City needed to look at the incredible assets and cultural diversity present within the community, should review how best to support the artists and educate the community on the accessibility of the arts in Burlington.

Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak asked that the Old North End Arts and Business Network be considered while working on this report. Councilor Kranichfeld noted his concern with the original resolution as it only addressed the South End, but was willing to support the resolution with the proposed amendment. Councilor Kehoe noted that signage was very important in designating the arts district for those who live outside of the area.

Councilor Berezniak explained his reason for not supporting this resolution as being that it left out an entire region of Burlington as an arts district. He found it ironic that the entrance to Ward 2 would get a halfway house and Pine Street would receive an arts district designation. Following comments from

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Burlington City Arts Director Kraft, Councilor Berezniak stated his vote against this resolution would be symbolic in nature.

The motion passed by a vote of 13 to 1, with Councilor Berezniak voting against.

6. RESOLUTION: Appealing Act 250 Permit for Phoenix House (Councilors Shannon, Wright, Adrian, Paul)

Councilor Shannon made a motion to waive the reading and adopt the <u>substitute</u> resolution that was placed on the Council table. Councilor Adrian seconded the motion. Councilor Shannon outlined the changes between the original and substitute resolution.

Councilor Shannon stated her understanding that services were needed for individuals to reintegrate into the community but Burlington was not able to support all of those needs. She believed Phoenix House was a large facility, there were still too many unknowns about the project and the Chief of Police had expressed concerns about the project. Her view was that other communities needed to help with programs such as this and Burlington could not be expected to take on every project. Further, she noted that the Council was not informed of the project even though it went to Act 250.

Councilor Kranichfeld explained to the Council that Phoenix House was an excellent program. It currently filled a vital role in the justice system. He stated that assurances had been made to Burlington that Burlington residents returning to the community would be given preference for beds at the facility. However, while he approved of the Phoenix House, he did not approve of the process involved in the Act 250 permitting. He explained this facility was a permitted use of the facility so no hearing was required. However, he was concerned that the Police Department had not been informed and was not involved in the proceedings.

Councilor Kehoe agreed with Councilor Kranichfeld's representation of the Phoenix House. She also noted her concern about the vitality of Church Street. She then questioned why people might think those who reside at Phoenix House would not contribute to the vitality of the Marketplace. She did not see a direct relationship between the people at Phoenix House and the issues currently being experienced on Church Street.

City Attorney Schatz informed the Council that a motion to alter was filed on this day; that this day was the last day of the process and, in fact, the appeal deadline may have already run out. If the Council decided not to proceed with the motion it would be immediately withdrawn. He wanted to remind Councilors that there may be issues related to the Fair Housing Act with respect to potential discrimination and he needed to be mindful that the Council did not act in a manner that was based on discriminatory motives. He then read from a statement from the Department of Justice and HUD outlining what was considered discriminatory. He explained that the Zoning Department had issued a permit for this project as a permitted use, which was consistent with the advice given by the City Attorney's Office. He also explained that Act 250 had jurisdiction over this matter.

Councilor Wright expressed his appreciation for the remarks made during the public forum. He believed that what people said was largely correct, however, he felt the process was flawed and proper notification was not given. Therefore, he would support this resolution.

Councilor Dober noted his support of the resolution based on the fact that the public/merchant input was critical. Councilor Kaplan discussed transparency and the concept of open government and it troubled her that she never heard comments from the Chief of Police and that representatives from Phoenix House never made a presentation to the Council.

Paul Dettman, Director of Burlington Housing Authority, spoke to the Council members of his opposition to the resolution. Mr. Dettman stated he did not see the connection between Phoenix House and the

current issues on the Church Street Marketplace. Additionally, Burlington needed this facility and this was the reason BHA wanted to move the project forward. In his opinion, Phoenix House went through the required process and was granted a permit. He noted that these individuals were protected through the Fair Housing Act and this is a permitted use for the facility. Mr. Dettman informed the Council there had been a series of meetings of the Church Street Outreach Committee and an Advisory Committee had been formed to help answer questions and concerns of the public/merchants. He stated it was unfortunate that both parties would have to spend money on attorneys in order to get the project moving.

Police Chief Mike Schirling stated that 20 beds would not be enough. Challenges for Change, a recent initiative from the Governor, would place a need of greater than 20 beds within Burlington. However, this was a City that valued process and a project of this size in a sensitive, densely populated area needed to have more input from a variety of stakeholders. The concerns of the Police Department were not specific to the Marketplace. He explained that a saturation of services created a very thin margin of error and if an error was made the potential adverse impacts were significant.

Councilor Bushor asked when the beds would be available. Mr. Dettman's response was September. She asked if it was too late to engage the public on the need for housing such as this. She also asked what other locations BHA had looked at. Mr. Dettman replied that there was a county wide search that had been done, keeping in mind the parameters of being close to public transportation. He explained that the building was zoned for this use and was already configured for residential use. This was the perfect property and it was currently vacant and available.

Councilor Bushor wondered if Act 250 were the proper tool to fix the underlying problem of housing for ex-offenders. She noted that individuals going to Phoenix House had come from Burlington and it was clear that the Phoenix House, a strong program with direct supervision, would help the ex-offenders reenter the community. She noted that the City of Burlington had 40,000 residents. This house would hold 20 people. She believed it was important to support a group of individuals who needed a second chance.

Councilor Decelles asked City Attorney Schatz about the potential for a suit against City. He asked if there were safety concerns of the public, would that still be considered discriminatory. City Attorney Schatz stated there would need to be real safety concerns, not stereotyped or discriminatory. He asked Mr. Dettman if the Phoenix House were only for drug addicts. Mr. Dettman said these residents would be in recovery.

Mayor Kiss answered questions about the decision making process on zoning and Act 250. He stated this project came in as a minor application for zoning and was addressed to CAO Leopold, City Council/Bill Keogh, President and the City Planning Commission with a compound address. The zoning request was posted at City Hall. The Zoning Department viewed this as a minor application because it was a permitted use. The Act 250 process then began, which no one was aware of. It was permitted and Act 250 did not find a problem with it. While there was no public testimony from Burlington, there was no cause for Act 250 to deny it. He reminded Councilors that Challenges for Change would be flooding the City with people who have needs. Phoenix House was timely and necessary. He believed a public process would see general support for the Phoenix House. He also believed there could be a public process to discuss the future of Phoenix House but the City had missed the point of denying the project.

Mayor Kiss noted he had had several meetings with the Street Outreach Committee and BHA and the Phoenix House. He outlined the residents would be those who were non-violent, were not sex offenders, that priority would be given to Burlington residents and 98% would be ex-offenders supported by the Department of Corrections. He did not think it would have a financial impact on the City. He noted that Mr. Dettman was willing to participate in discussions on what Phoenix House can do but was not willing, at this meeting, to discuss reversing the process that had occurred already.

Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak asked if immediate neighbors had been notified and solicited for input. Mr. Dettman stated that they notified neighbors even before the Act 250 permit required them to. He stated the neighbors were all comfortable with the project. Following a question from Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak, Mr. Dettman stated BHA did have to comment on the impact on municipal services to Act 250. In responding, they used a letter from the Brattleboro Police Chief which stated the Phoenix House was an asset in their community. He asked them to write the letter because it was an established organization with a history of success. Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak stated she felt the Council was not having the right discussion. She explained that Challenges for Change was about to drop many individuals from the correction system into communities. She asked what more Burlington should be doing to prepare for the future with Challenges for Change in place.

Councilor Adrian outlined his history as a prosecutor and noted he was sensitive to the seriousness of addiction. He was concerned about the tone being used by Mr. Dettman with the City Council. Councilor Adrian stated that fair housing discrimination may be an issue but Mr. Dettman had not made the case. He believed that the Council had legitimate non-discriminatory concerns about individuals living in Phoenix House. He would welcome the participation of the BHA at the Public Safety Committee to convince the residents of Burlington that this use was appropriate.

Councilor Berezniak would be more supportive of the project if BHA had used testimony from the Burlington Chief of Police rather than another town for the Act 250 process. He believed debate and public process should have occurred.

Councilor Caldwell asked Mr. Dettman to explain the use of the Brattleboro Police Chief's letter during the application process rather than the Burlington Chief of Police. Mr. Dettman stated he thought the experience of Phoenix House in Brattleboro would be more relevant to the process. Mr. Dettman reminded Councilors that these 20 people would be returning to Burlington, with or without Phoenix House. He reiterated that Challenges for Change would bring more people and less services. The Phoenix House, funded by the Department of Corrections, would provide assistance that would otherwise be unavailable. Chief Schirling, in response to questions from Councilor Caldwell, stated again his concern with Phoenix House was primarily the density of the neighborhood and the proximity of the Marketplace. In summary, Councilor Caldwell noted she was very disappointed the Council did not receive notification of the Act 250 application but did not feel it should derail the project, referencing the City Attorney's comments regarding the permitted use of the property.

Mayor Kiss, following a point of order and objection from Councilor Decelles, offered an alternative resolution which proposed acknowledging that BHA had a permit to move forward with the project, invite an ongoing process to include Burlington residents in the discussion of Phoenix House and also address issues in regard to offender re-entry. Council President Keogh asked the Mayor if he would like to recess to offer the proposed resolution. Councilor Adrian then asked the City Attorney if the Mayor was allowed to amend a Council resolution. City Attorney Schatz said no, but that was not what was being recommended by the Council President. He had recommended a recess to discuss the resolution. Council President Keogh then informed the Mayor he would allow a five minute recess for the Mayor to approach a Councilor to discuss bringing forward the amendment. The Council recessed from 10:02 p.m. to 10:18 p.m.

Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak then made a motion to amend the resolution, outlining the changes, seconded by Councilor Caldwell. The amendment failed by a vote of 11 to 3 with Councilors Mulvaney-Stanak, Bushor and Caldwell voting in favor.

Councilor Shannon then called the question, seconded by Councilor Decelles. The Council voted unanimously to call the question. Councilor Shannon then asked for a roll call.

Ayes: Councilors Adrian, Berezniak, Decelles, Dober, Kaplan, Kehoe, Paul, Shannon, Wright, Keogh

Nays: Councilors Bushor, Caldwell, Kranichfeld, Mulvaney-Stanak

The resolution passed by a vote of 10 to 4.

6.01. COMMUNICATION: Bob Kiss, Mayor, re: Phoenix House

Without any objection from the remaining Council, Council President Keogh made a motion to waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file.

7. ORDINANCE: STREETS AND SIDEWALKS Establishment of a pedestrian way (Police Dept)(1<sup>st</sup> reading)

Councilor Shannon made a motion to consider first reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee, seconded by Councilor Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

7.01. COMMUNICATION: Michael E. Schirling, Chief of Police, re: Proposal to establish a pilot project for a six-foot pedestrian right of way in the Inner City Fire District

Without any objection from the remaining Council, Council President Keogh made a motion to waive the reading, accept the communication, and place it on file.

8. COMMUNICATION: Lauren-Glenn Davitian, Executive Director, re: Channel 17 (oral)

Ms. Davitian spoke to the City Council, provided CCTV's annual report and asked for feedback. She noted the requests for media coverage from the Council had increased over the year and CCTV had provided almost \$10,000 worth of free coverage over the past year. She requested that the Council review this through the Board of Finance if this additional coverage would be ongoing. She also commented on the audio quality and placement of the equipment in Contois Auditorium. Further, she suggested that the CCTV widget be placed on the City's website in order to direct people to view the meetings on-line.

Councilor Wright called a point of order, noting that a suspension of the rules to continue the meeting needed to take place. Councilor Wright then made a motion to suspend the rules, finish this item and the executive session item only (10:35 p.m.). Councilor Bushor stated she would support the request but was increasingly concerned about Councilors not being able to make their report to residents the way the agenda was organized. Councilor Decelles stated the discussion on the Phoenix House had taken too long. Mayor Kiss was recognized but Councilor Wright interrupted with a point of order stating this item was not debatable. This was confirmed by the City Attorney. The vote was 11 to 3 with Councilors Kaplan, Berezniak and Caldwell voting against.

Councilor Bushor asked Ms. Davitian what needed to be done to get the CCTV widget on to the City website. Ms. Davitian stated someone needed to instruct the IT Department to add it, as there was a stark difference in usage with those municipalities who included it on the front page of a website.

Councilor Kaplan stated she would provide a letter of support and place it on the consent agenda for the following meeting.

8.01. COMMUNICATION: Lauren-Glenn Davitian, Channel 17/Town Meeting TV, re: Channel 17 Presentation

Councilor Shannon, seconded by Councilor Adrian made a motion to accept the communication and place it on file. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

At Councilor Wright's motion, this item was removed from the meeting.

10. COMMUNICATION: City Councilors, re: General City Affairs (oral)

At Councilor Wright's motion, this item was removed from the meeting.

11. COMMUNICATION: Mayor Kiss, re: General City Affairs (oral)

At Councilor Wright's motion, this item was removed from the meeting.

12. COMMUNICATION: Joseph E. McNeil, Esq., re: Collective Bargaining (oral)

On a motion by Councilors Dober and Shannon, the Council went into executive session at 10:40 p.m., premature disclosure would place the City at a disadvantage. Also present were: HR Director Susan Leonard, BED General Manager Barbara Grimes, Burlington Airport Director Brian Searles, Assistant CAO Ben Pacy and Joseph McNeil, Esq.

Councilors Paul and Kaplan departed at 11:36 p.m.

Councilor Wright departed at 11:39 p.m.

On a motion by Councilors Shannon and Adrian, the Council went out of executive session at 11:39 p.m.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilors Decelles and Berezniak, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 11:40 p.m.

Attest:

Lori Olberg, Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator and Sue Trainor, Assistant to the CAO