

AD HOC REPORT
Request to Purchase Roadway

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Chairman Jack Knapp called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M on July 7, 2009. In attendance were committee members Councilwoman Mary Teicholz, Councilman Paul Rotello; Laszlo Pinter, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Farid Khouri, City Engineer. Petitioner Michael O'Mahony III, 10 Oil Mill Road 06811 and Michael O'Mahony, Jr. were also present along with ex-officio members Councilman Seabury and Councilman Cavo.

Chairman Knapp stated that the charge of the committee was to consider the request to purchase a parcel of land at 56 Lake Avenue Extension. Chairman Knapp read the Planning report containing eight (8) areas of concern and negative recommendation.

Atty. Pinter advised that should the request be denied without prejudice, the petitioner could return at a later date with a revised request.

Mr. O'Mahony made inquiries regarding the process to resubmit the request.

Mr. Khouri suggested that the petitioner meet with the Planning, Zoning and Traffic Engineering Departments to discuss the options outlined in the recommendations of the Planning Department. Mr. Khouri indicated that the parcel reverted to the City from the State in 1949 and Danbury owns, at least, the roadway rights.

Councilwoman Teicholz advised the petitioner that a public hearing would also need to take place should the request be resubmitted.

Councilman Rotello discussed road widening concerns.

Mr. O'Mahony Jr. expressed his appreciation to the Committee for their information and clarifications.

Councilwoman Teicholz moved to recommend to the Council as a whole to deny the request with out prejudice, based largely on the recommendations of the Planning Department, to purchase the roadway on Lake Avenue Extension, seconded by Councilman Rotello. ***Motion passed by unanimous vote.***

Councilwoman Teicholz moved to adjourn at 6:40P.M., seconded by Councilman Rotello. ***Motion passed by unanimous vote.***

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Knapp, Chairman

Mary Teicholz

Paul Rotello