

~AD HOC REPORT~
Request for Sewer ~ Concord Street
Thursday, August 16, 2007

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Hon. Mark D. Boughton, Mayor
Common Council Members

Chairman Michael Calandrino called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, August 16, 2007, in the Caucus Room, 3rd Floor, Danbury City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Avenue. Present were Committee members Pauline Basso. Ex Officio members: Louise P. McMahon, Gregg W. Seabury and Mary Teicholz. Also present were City Engineer Farid Khouri and Diainius Virbickas and Petitioners Jucielloy and Paul Lopes.

Chairman Calandrino introduced everyone in the room. Chairman Calandrino explained the purpose of the evening's meeting was to consider a request for a sewer extension at 3 Concord Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Chairman Calandrino noted for the record that Fred Visconti was absent because his son was getting married.

Chairman Calandrino asked Farid Khouri to provide everyone with some background regarding the request before the Committee. Mr. Khouri explained that there is an existing sewer on Marrimack Street off of Lake Avenue. There are no plans, but Mr. Khouri reviewed the maps in his office and it appears the request is feasible. He recommended the Petitioners hire an engineer to prepare plans as he felt the request would not be easily executed. The abutting grates are below the intersection and gravity plays a key role. Mr. Lopes was looking for direction on whether or not the request was feasible. Chairman Calandrino pointed out that while there is a positive recommendation from Planning concerning the request, it is contingent upon the approval of the plans and completing the 8 steps. Chairwoman Basso pointed out the application noted the total number of units as being 4. Mr. Lopes said that was incorrect, it was a one-family 4-bedroom home. Mr. Khouri pointed out that the project may not be feasible and recommended looking at a low-pressure pump.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Basso and seconded by Chairman Calandrino that the Committee recommends to the Common Council that they approve the request to extend the sewer to 3 Concord Street provided the 8 steps are followed and an engineer is hired to prepare plans which are then approved by the City.

Mr. Khouri pointed out that the while the request to extend is being approved, the Petitioners need to hire an engineer to prepare plans which will need to be approved by the City. Mr. Lopes expressed confusion in the process. Mr. Khouri briefly explained the process and noted the 8 steps Mr. Lopes would need to follow. Mr. Lopes expressed his frustration in not being advised of the proper process or the 8 steps when he went to the Zoning Office with his request. Mr. Khouri said he would assist Mr. Lopes.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Basso and seconded by Chairman Calandrino. The motion carried unanimously at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Calandrino, Chairman

Pauline Basso

AH/ 10 mns. / 30 mns.