



**MINUTES  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY  
JANUARY 26, 2011  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Perth Amboy was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2011 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Perth Amboy, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

Presiding Officer of the Council, Kenneth Balut, advised the audience that notice of this meeting has been filed with the Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger, The Amboy Beacon and posted on the bulletin board in the City Clerk's office and on the City's website, indicating that today's meeting is being held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, at 7:00 p.m.

Council President Balut: At this time, as a courtesy to the Governing Body, I would ask all individuals present, including members of the audience, to please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Should you need to make a telephone call, please go out into the hallway and speak in a low voice so as not to disturb the ongoing meeting.

Council President Balut led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Invocation was given by Council Member William Petrick.

Council President Kenneth Balut called the meeting to order with the following Council Members present: Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Joel Pabon and William Petrick. Absent--none.

Also present at this meeting were: Greg Fehrenbach, Business Administrator, Mark J. Blunda, Esq., Director of Law, and Elaine M. Jasko, City Clerk.

**PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

None.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 2011**

None.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS  
(10 MINUTE MAXIMUM)**

None.

**AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Citizens may address the Council on any matter on the agenda which does not have its own scheduled public hearing. Citizens shall be permitted to speak once for a maximum of ten (10) minutes.

Wilma Matey, 125 Water St.: I would ask that Councilman Balut and Councilman Fernando Gonzalez abstain from the Wrecker Ordinance since I am sure they received donations from the towers when they ran for office.

**R-47**

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St.: What is this?

Council President Balut: For recovery of fluorocarbons.

Mark J. Blunda: This is a continuing contract.

**R-57**

Stan Sierakowski: What is this for?

Council President Balut: It's for a tax appeal on the Kaplan properties.

Greg Fehrenbach: This is for 2006-2010. This is a 50% reduction on the valuation of the property. Many of the "for sale" units have become rental units.

Stan Sierakowski: Can this become a Section 8 unit?

Greg Fehrenbach: Yes, it can. One cannot discriminate against Section 8.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**December 27, 2010 - Special**  
**January 3, 2011 - Special**

Motion was made by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Petrick to accept the minutes and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick, and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

#### **BIDS**

**None.**

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT**

**None.**

#### **LIQUOR LICENSE – NOTIFICATION**

- 1. Person-to-Person Transfer of 1216-32-059-006**  
**FROM: Melania Corporation, t/a Casanova Lounge**  
**983 State Street**  
**TO: Jose Ayala, t/a El Tipico**
- 2. Person-to-Person Transfer of 1216-33-007-003**  
**FROM: M&M Building Systems LLC**  
**391 Keene Street**  
**TO: HMV Nabo LLC, t/a Milly's Lounge**

#### **SOCIAL AFFAIR PERMIT**

**St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church**  
**41-47 Wisteria Street**  
**Dates: February 26, 2011, 5:00 pm to Midnight**  
**June 3, 4 & 5, 2011, 11:00 am to Midnight**  
**Location: Community Center, Wisteria Street**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to grant the social affair permit and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

## REPORTS

**Jill A. Goldy, CFO/Comptroller submitted the following:**

- 1. Investment Report - December 2010.**
- 2. Water/Wastewater Utility Reports - December 2010.**
- 3. Payroll Disbursements/Deductions – December 2010.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to accept reports #1 through #3 and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

## ORDINANCES – FIRST READING (NO PUBLIC DISCUSSION)

**None.**

## ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING (5 MINUTE MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER/PER ORDINANCE)

- 1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “WRECKERS” NO. 621-92 (AS AMENDED) ADOPTED AUGUST 4, 1992, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 425 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments.

Wilma Matey, 125 Water St: How will this be handled by Council Members Balut and Fernando Gonzalez? This is a conflict for them and it should not be voted on by them. Rules and regulations should be taken into consideration.

Council Member Fernando Gonzalez: There was no pay to play two years ago.

Mark J. Blunda: I don't understand what the conflict would be. There is no financial interest. I don't see the conflict.

Council Member Pabon: This is only an amendment to the Ordinance. This is not for individual towing contracts.

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St.: I believe that Mr. Blunda is wrong. The wreckers are benefitting. This is quid pro quo.

Mark J. Blunda: This provides non-consensual towers to charge the same amount as the towers on the police list.

Council President Balut: If letters are sent to the ethics board, I will meet and discuss the matter with them.

Mayor Wilda Diaz: Last year we revised the towing Ordinance. This amendment is to cover the fees from vehicles towed from commercial lots. I recommend that the Council adopt this Ordinance. This is to protect our residents.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**2. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" (ORDINANCE NO. 1-72 AS AMENDED) ADOPTED JULY 28, 1972, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 4 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY TO PROVIDE FOR CAUCUS MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Fernando Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Petrick to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Motion was made by Council Member Fernando Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Petrick to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**3. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT" (NO. 1-72 AS AMENDED) ADOPTED JULY 28, 1972, ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 4 ET SEQ OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY.**

**Re: Public Records Duplication Fees**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to open public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to close public hearing on the above Ordinance and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent---none.

Motion was made by Council Member Fernando Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Petrick to adopt the Ordinance on second and final passage and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**R-31-1/11 Appointing Michael Sylva to the Perth Amboy Port Authority for a term of five years expiring January 31, 2016.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-32-1/11 Authorizing emergency temporary appropriations to extend CY 2011 Temporary Budget in the amount of \$574,993.58.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**CONSENT AGENDA - R-33-1/11 to R-44-1/11**

**R-33-1/11 Authorizing the refund of duplicate tax payment to BAC Tax Services Corporation on Block 115, Lot 25, 333 Fayette Street in the amount of \$899.20.**

**R-34-1/11 Authorizing refund of duplicate tax payment to Core Logic on Block 442, Lot 15, 392 Leon Avenue in the amount of \$1,407.63.**

**R-35-1/11 Authorizing the refund of duplicate tax payment to Core Logic on Block 148, Lot 16, 373 Division Street in the amount of \$1,529.25.**

**R-36-1/11 Authorizing the refund of duplicate tax overpayment to Core Logic on Block 301, Lot 45, 702 Carlock Avenue in the amount of \$1,159.44.**

**R-37-1/11 Authorizing the refund of duplicate tax payment to Wael Nasr on Block 301, Lot 4 C0536, 536 Great Beds Court in the amount of \$1,703.46.**

**R-38-1/11 Authorizing the refund of duplicate tax payment to Julio Castro on Block 366, Lot 21, 300 Alpine Street in the amount of \$1,729.90.**

**R-39-1/11 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment to Moreen D. Saunders on Block 330, Lot 22, 335 Paderewski Avenue in the amount of \$250.00 due to disable person deduction allowance.**

**R-40-1/11 Authorizing the refund of tax overpayment to Nancy Curil on Block 203, Lot 10, 458 Neville Street in the amount of \$250.00 due to veteran deduction allowance.**

**R-41-1-/11 Authorizing a refund to Cornucopia Cruise Line, Inc. due to tax overpayment created by tax appeals on Block 15, Lot 2 in the amount of \$98,891.57.**

**R-42-1/11 Authoring a refund to Howard B. Goldberg, Esq. attorney for Jab Investment Properties, Inc. due to tax overpayment created by tax appeals on Block 116, Lot 45, 314-320 Watson Avenue in the amount of \$9,887.93.**

**R-43-1/11 Authorizing a refund to Peter Zipp, Esq., attorney for Eduardo Trujillo, Jr. due to tax overpayment created by tax appeals on Block 136, Lot 1.01 C0055, 40 Fayette Street in the amount of \$730.88.**

**R-44-1/11 Authorizing a refund to Howard B. Goldberg, Esq., attorney for Ishrat H. Jafary due to tax overpayment created by tax appeals on Block 357, Lot 23, 708-720 State Street in the amount of \$12,085.24.**

Motion was made by Council Member Balut, seconded by Council Member Petrick to adopt the above Resolutions.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolutions were adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-45-1/11 Approving participation with the State of New Jersey in a Safe and Secure Communities Program in the amount of \$60,000.00 administered by the Division of Criminal Justice, Department of Law and Public Safety.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-46-1/11 Authorizing the proper City Officials to execute an agreement between the Middlesex County Department on Aging and the Perth Amboy Senior Center to participate in the 2011 "A Matter of Balance" Fall Prevention Training Program.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-47-1/11 Authorizing the proper City Officials to enter into a three year inter-local service agreement with the Council of Middlesex for the CFC Recovery Reimbursement Program commencing January 1, 2011 and terminating December 31, 2013.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-48-1/11 Consenting to the reappointment of Maria del Valle Koch as judge of the Municipal Court for a three year term retroactive to January 1, 2011.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth. Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments.

Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez: She is a phenomenal judge. We are fortunate to have her.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-49-1/11 Directing the City Tax Collector to place a lien on 406 New Brunswick Avenue, Block 173, Lot 30, in the amount of \$577.60 for charges incurred by the department of public works.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-50-1/11 Authorizing return of professional escrow review fee to Mohamad Melheess for 428 Fayette Street, Block 106.01, Lots 12 & 13 Docket No. 2926 in the amount of \$1,992.50.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-51-1/11 Authorizing return of professional escrow review fee to Juan Arias for 236-238 Madison Avenue, Block 44, Lot 20.01 Docket No. 2925 in the amount of \$1,346.50.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-52-1/11 Authorizing return of professional escrow review fee to Church of Jesus Christ for 271 Maple Street, Block 62, Lots 10 through 14 Docket No. 2147 in the amount of \$2,355.00.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-53-1/11 Accepting a gift from the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Middlesex County (NCADD) and the Youth Community Leadership Academy (YCLA) for use by the Perth Amboy Recreation Department in the amount of \$5,000.00 for revitalization of Patrick Duffy Park.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-54-1/11 Approving settlement and dismissal of Delia Yili civil service appeal.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando. Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-55-1/11 Authorizing a contract with Excel Environmental, Inc. for professional services for the remedial investigation and report preparation activities under the NJDEA/DEP Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund Grant on property located at 599 Fayette Street, Block 93, Lot 1.03, Block 95, Lot 1 and Block 96, Lot 1.0 through 16 also known as the DPW facility and former city landfill in an amount not to exceed \$493,340.00.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:  
Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon,  
Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-56-1/11 Authorizing a contract with Feist Engineering for professional services for the preparation of the bid specs, contract administration and construction inspection for the UEZ grant funded improvements to New Brunswick Avenue and Smith Street in the amount of \$27,600.00.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:  
Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon,  
Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-57-1/11 Authorizing the City to enter into a Stipulation of Settlement resolving the Complaints filed by Camelot at Perth Amboy, LLC , Kaplan at Perth Amboy & K-Land No. 56 also known as filed Federal Hill.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:  
Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon,  
Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-58-1/11 Authorizing settlement agreement with Aida Torres and warrant to satisfy judgment re: Block 362, Lot 20.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote:  
Yea--Council Members Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut.  
Nay--none. Absent--none. Abstain--Council Member Fernando.  
Gonzalez.

**R-59-1/11 Ratifying settlement and dismissal of Barclay Street Associates, LLC v. Mayor and City of Perth Amboy et al.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-60-1/11 Concurring with the decision of the Administrative Officer regarding change in site plan for Phase 3A of Harbortown Terrace.**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments.

Greg Fehrenbach: The plan calls for a fence around the edge of the property from sidewalk to sidewalk. The concerns are being addressed.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

**R-61-1/11 Authorizing a Closed Session at the January 26, 2011 meeting to discuss the following:**

- 1. Personnel**
- 2. Public Safety Complex litigation**
- 3. Conrail litigation**
- 4. Contract negotiations – Kearny Cottage**
- 5. JJ's Café litigation**

Motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. NJDOT advising that it is proposing a superstructure replacement, consisting of new deck, parapets and bridge beams for the Route 35 over Perth Amboy (CR 624) Connector to Route 440. There will be no effect to any eligible or potentially eligible resource. (1/6/11)
2. NJDEP issued a No Further Action Letter to Camelot at Perth Amboy, LLC and Kaplan at Perth Amboy, LLC for the remediation of the former Schott Brothers Property. (1/6/11)
3. Mayor Wilda Diaz thanking the following firefighters for their outstanding job performance during the Harbortown fire of December 19, 2010: (1/6/11)  

Shawn Kehoe	Lazlo Longyel
Michael Perez	Lieutenant Scott Bromirski
Ramiz Klobocista	Captain John Breyta
4. Mayor Wilda Diaz thanking Rafael Mendez of Tropical Cheese Industries and Ray Catena of Mercedes Benz for their generous donations to the victims of the Harbortown fire of December 19, 2010. (1/7/11)
5. Mayor Wilda Diaz reappointing Maria del Valle Koch as Municipal Judge retroactive from January 1, 2011 and ending December 31, 2013. (1/7/11)
6. Mayor Wilda Diaz appointing Robert McCoy to the Library Board of Trustees for a term to expire on June 30, 2014. (1/7/11)
7. Fire Chief David J. Volk advising that had it not been for the extraordinary and heroic actions of the initial Fire and Police Department responders, there would have certainly been additional injuries and possible fatalities as a result of the Harbortown fire of December 19, 2011. (1/7/11)

8. NJ DCA, Office of Regulatory Affairs advising that after conducting a site visit of the Harbortown fire of December 19, 2010, review of the available released prototype plans, meeting with current local UCC enforcing agency officials and the design professionals who designed the building, it concludes that the building design would have met the 1993 BOCA National Building Code. (1/13/11)
9. Michael R. Zylka requesting that he be considered for reappointment to the Port Authority. (1/13/11)
10. Senator Lesniak and Assemblyman Green detailing the merits of S-1, Housing Legislation Abolishing COAH, with regard to the City's Mt. Laurel obligation. (1/13/11)
11. Jack M. Dudas, Kearny Cottage Historical Association Trustee detailing the differences between the proposed new lease for the Kearny Cottage submitted by him and the proposed lease written by Mark Blunda, City Attorney. (1/13/11)
12. Greg Fehrenbach, BA forwarded Deputy Chief Ruiz's e-mail providing the hours of operation of the Animal Shelter. (1/14/11)
13. Senator Lesniak and Assemblyman Green submitted a draft resolution urging the Governor to immediately sign S-1 into law. (1/14/11)
14. Mayor Wilda Diaz appointing Greg Fehrenbach, BA as Acting Mayor for January 18, 2011 through January 23, 2011. (1/18/11)
15. Mark Blunda, Law Director suggesting to Jack M. Dudas that a meeting be set up to discuss the lease terms for the Kearny Cottage. (1/18/11)

**PUBLIC PORTION  
(5 MINUTES MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER)**

Stan Sierakowski, 679 Charles St: Several towns got free fire trucks from Menendez/Lautenberg. The City didn't get any. A professional should apply for grants for the City. The City went out for bids for an animal shelter because it's alleged that the animal wardens were taking pure bred animals and selling them for a profit. They also exceeded the number of hours authorized in their contracts by the actual numbers they worked.

Virginia Morales, 745 Barry Ave.: The situation at the shelter should be corrected. We need to educate our citizens about animal care. We have a problem with stray animals. We need help with donations. Look to open up communications on local television channels.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council President Balut to Mark Blunda: Please check into the conflict raised by Mr. Sierakowski.

Greg Fehrenbach: The BP gas station that was discussed at the Caucus Meeting has been summonsed for not shoveling their property. We have to wait for the adjudication.

Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez: We should send someone back to the BP station after tonight's snowfall to see if they are complying with the Ordinance.

Council Member Pabon to Greg Fehrenbach: Can we post some info on Channel 34 regarding the animal shelter?

Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez: Parents are double and triple parking at the schools when they are picking up their children. The police dept. should monitor this. We should have random enforcement. Tickets should be issued. It's a safety issue.

Council Member Petrick: We need a one way sign on Harding Ave.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Council Member Petrick, seconded by Council Member Kenneth Gonzalez to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm, and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Fernando Gonzalez, Kenneth Gonzalez, Pabon, Petrick and Balut. Nay--none. Absent--none.

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Elaine M. Jasko  
City Clerk