

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

**June 6, 2016
8:00 p.m.**

South Windsor Town Council

**PURPOSE: To receive citizen input on Amendments to Ordinance
#196 – Demolition Delay Ordinance**

Mayor Delnicki called the Public Hearing to order at 8:00 p.m.; and requested that the Clerk of the Council read the call of the meeting (a copy of which is attached hereto, **Exhibit A**). There were approximately twenty-three (23) people present in the audience.

Mayor Delnicki stated that the change in the ordinance will allow some latitude if an applicant comes to the Demolition Delay Committee and the Committee does not need the full duration of time as specified in the ordinance as is currently written.

Town Attorney Yagaloff explained that the proposed change to the ordinance gives the committee up to 180 days to delay. The current delay is presently the full 180 days and once the delay is implemented, the committee does not have the discretion to shorten it, so this gives them that opportunity. Another change in the ordinance is to clarify the notice requirement to the public and the applicants obligation to provide notice. The last proposed change is to add additional unaffiliated members to the committee.

Mayor Delnicki asked if there was anyone from the public that would like to speak.

Mr. Arthur Utay, Chairman of the Demolition Delay Committee came before the Council to speak in favor of the proposed changes. Mr. Utay explained that currently the composition of the committee is one member from the Historical Society, two members from the Historic District Commission, one member from the Planning & Zoning Commission and one unaffiliated member. An unaffiliated member is defined as someone who does not sit on another board and/or commission in Town. It is being proposed to expand the unaffiliated members by two which hopefully will eliminate the perception of predisposition of views. The second change requires the applicant to put up a sign on the property when applying for a demolition permit which used to be the responsibility of the Demolition Delay Committee. The last change would allow the committee the option of assigning no delay and have up to 180 days.

Ms. Ginny Macro, 1828 Main Street, Chair of the Historic District Commission stated that she fully supports these changes. Ms. Macro said that it is often frustrating trying to save historic structures but there have had some success so she feels it is an important ordinance to keep in place. These administrative details will make it easier.

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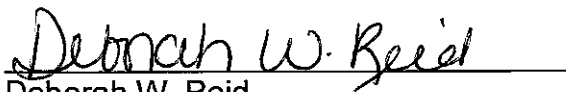
Mayor Delnicki asked for a Straw Vote, the results of which were as follows:

Those supporting the amendments to Ordinance #196 – Demolition Delay
Ordinance: 9

Those opposed to the amendments to Ordinance #196 – Demolition Delay
Ordinance: 0

The public hearing was closed at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Deborah W. Reid", is written over a horizontal line.

Deborah W. Reid
Clerk of the Council

Public Hearing Notice – Exhibit A



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