

## Greater Bridgeport Transit Board of Directors

Seat	Name	Party
1*	VACANT	
2	Michael Mears	R

**\*Seat vacated by Mitchell Fuchs (D) who resigned on October 12, 2021.**

The Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority (GBT) was organized in 1998 under Chapter 103A of the Connecticut General Statutes for the purpose of operating public transit services. Today, GBT provides fixed route and ADA Paratransit bus services in Bridgeport, Fairfield, Stratford and Trumbull with services extending to Shelton, Derby, Milford, Westport, Norwalk and Monroe.

The Board oversees major policy, financial, compliance, legal and personnel matters and hears recommendations from staff regarding all areas of the GBT operation including planning, capital programming, marketing, maintenance, operations, human resources and special projects.

The GBT Board of Commissioners consists of ten members, four representing the City of Bridgeport and two each representing the towns of Fairfield, Stratford and Trumbull. There are no term limits. The current commissioners are:

Mark T. Anastasi	Bridgeport
VACANT	Fairfield
Andrew Ifill	Bridgeport
Andrea Kovacs	Bridgeport
Joseph Kubic, Treasurer	Stratford
Neil A. Lieberthal	Trumbull
Sharon McNeal, Secretary	Trumbull
Michael Mears, Chairman	Fairfield
Ginnie Preuss, Vice Chair	Bridgeport
Jennifer Sheldon	Stratford



## Town of Fairfield

Office of the First Selectwoman  
725 Old Post Road  
Fairfield, CT 06824

### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

To be considered for appointment to a Board or Commission, please fill out this form, save a copy and email the saved copy, along with a copy of your resume, to the First Selectwoman's Office at [jcarpenter@fairfieldct.org](mailto:jcarpenter@fairfieldct.org). Please note that your resume and completed questionnaire are public documents. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Carpenter in the First Selectwoman's Office at 203-256-3095 or [jcarpenter@fairfieldct.org](mailto:jcarpenter@fairfieldct.org).

Board/Commission: Greater Bridgeport Transit Board of Commissioners

Date: 11/10/2021

Name: Pierre Ratzki

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Southport, CT 06890

Party Affiliation: Democrat

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1. How did you learn about this position?

I was informed of a vacancy by the local party chair, and thereafter read more about the Board on its website.

2. Why are you interested in serving and how can you contribute to this board/commission?

I want to ensure that commuters, seniors, persons with disabilities, and all others who rely on our public transportation system enjoy the best service possible. I will bring to the board my personal experience as a longtime commuter, as well as my experience working in collaborative professional and political settings.

3. Have you attended any meetings or reviewed past minutes/agendas? If yes, please specify.

I will be attending tonight's meeting (11/10/2021), and will review prior minutes and agendas as well.

4. Have you spoken with the chair, any members, or the appropriate Department Head?

Not yet.

5. Have you read the written description of the board's role?

Yes.

6. Do you have any potential conflict of interest?

No.

7. Do you know the time, date and location of meetings and will you be able to attend and fulfill the obligations of the position?

Yes.

8. Participation requires that you are registered voter in the town of Fairfield. Additionally, the Town Charter requires that party balance be maintained on all boards/commissions. Are you registered to vote and what is your party affiliation?

Yes, I am registered to vote, and my party affiliation is Democrat.

9. Please use this space to ask any questions you may have or to provide additional information you'd like to share.

## PIERRE RATZKI

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PRatzki@gmail.com

### EDUCATION

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**Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY** J.D., *magna cum laude*, June 2013  
G.P.A.: 3.8 (Top 6%).  
Honors: *Journal of Law & Policy*, Associate Managing Editor 2012-2013.  
Awards: Dean's List (All Semesters); Stephen Jay Penzick Award for Excellence in Administrative Law; CALI Excellence Awards in Administrative Law and Products Liability; Rose L. Hoffer Endowed Scholarship; Margaret A. Berger Endowed Scholarship; Carswell Scholarship; Dean's Merit Scholarship; Centennial Grant.  
Activities: Phi Delta Phi Legal Honors Fraternity.

**University of California, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA** B.A. in Politics, *cum laude*, August 2008  
G.P.A.: 3.6 (Top 10%).  
Activities: Semester Abroad at Bilkent University in Ankara, Turkey.  
Awards: Dean's List; Honors in the Politics Department; Completed B.A. in three years.

### BAR ADMISSIONS

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**New York State, Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department** Admitted February 2014  
**United States District Court, Southern District of New York** Admitted July 2014  
**United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit** Admitted March 2016

### EXPERIENCE

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**Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C., New York, NY** September 2013 – Present  
**Appellate Associate:** Represent plaintiffs injured by asbestos, pesticides, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices. Handle briefing and oral advocacy for appeals and motion practice, in both state and federal actions. Draft and argue appellate briefs, summary judgment oppositions, motions *in limine*, and trial memoranda. Resolve discrete legal issues under trial-based time constraints. Coordinate with partners and managing associates on both our current caseload and possible new frontiers for the firm.

**The Honorable J. Paul Oetken, S.D.N.Y., New York, NY** January 2013 – May 2013  
**Judicial Intern:** Conducted research for civil and criminal matters. Prepared memoranda and drafted proposed opinions, including an opinion deciding cross-motions to dismiss in a breach of contract action. Attended conferences, oral arguments, and trials, including a white-collar criminal trial involving charges of bank fraud. Worked closely with clerks on case management. Discussed conclusions and recommendations with Judge Oetken.

**Morelli Ratner, P.C., New York, NY** August 2012 – December 2012  
**Legal Intern:** Assessed claims brought against British Petroleum for economic losses resulting from the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill. Communicated with clients regarding their claims and required documentation. Assisted with the firm's growing class action practice, which focused on defective household and industrial products.

**Holm & O'Hara, L.L.P.**, New York, NY

Summer 2012

**Summer Associate:** Worked primarily with the firm's labor practice, which included the representation of labor unions in federal ERISA litigation matters, contract negotiations, tax disputes, and related arbitrations. Drafted interrogatory responses, demands for injunctive relief, and complaints. Drafted a motion for summary judgment in an employment law case involving theft of trade secrets.

**Kings County District Attorney's Office**, Brooklyn, NY

January 2012 – April 2012

**Legal Intern, Domestic Violence Bureau:** Prepared motions, affidavits, and complaints, including motions *in limine* to admit evidence under hearsay exceptions and to admit defendants' prior bad acts. Interviewed complainants in domestic violence cases. Organized evidence in preparation for trial and in response to disclosure requests. Appeared on the record in court for calendar calls to present case updates.

**Douglas & London, P.C.**, New York, NY

Summer 2011

**Legal Intern:** Conducted research and drafted memoranda for multi-district litigations involving pharmaceutical products. Managed discovery for a mass tort litigation concerning muscular injuries resulting from the use of cholesterol medication. Helped draft complaints, discovery requests, and motion papers. Engaged in phone consultations with potential clients and assessed the viability of claims.

**Your Voice Media**, San Francisco, CA

November 2008 – August 2010

**Operations Director:** Oversaw daily operations for a political fundraising organization dedicated to progressive activism. Trained and managed a fundraising staff. Developed campaign strategies and messaging. Representative clients included the Democratic National Committee, Earth Justice, and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

**The Fund for Public Interest Research**, Santa Cruz, CA

October 2006 – January 2007

**Canvasser, Field Manager:** Fundraised for various non-profit organizations, including the Sierra Club and the Human Rights Campaign. Canvassed door-to-door and advocated for the passage of state and federal legislation, including the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, which aimed to prohibit sexual orientation-based employment discrimination. Managed a team of three-to-five canvassers in the field.

## **PERSONAL**

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Fluent in French.

Amateur chef.

Lead guitarist for the rock bands Slow Rapids and Cheek Meat.

## Special Projects Standing Building Committee

Seat	Name	Party
1*	Van Deusen, Rodney J.	D
2*****	VACANT	
3	Kelly, Alfred J.	R
4**	Purcell, Jane A.	U
5****	Kornutik, Stephen	R
6 (TFC)	Speciale, Richard A.	R
7 (BOE)***	VACANT	

Full	
Party	Count
Vacant	2
Democrats	1
Republicans	3
Unaffiliated	1
Total Full	7

\*Appointed by BOS on 02-21-18 and RTM on 03-26-18. Filled seat previously held by Mike Giaquinto (D).

\*\*Appointed by BOS on 06-01-11 and RTM on 06-27-11. Filled seat held by Miriam Frank (U.)

\*\*\*Last held by BOE member Phil Dwyer (D) – in 10/2019. Has not been replaced by the BOE since 11-2019 when Mr. Dwyer did not seek re-election to the BOE.

\*\*\*\*Appointed by BOS on 01/04/21 and RTM on 01/25/21. Filled seat held by Gerard Keough (D) who resigned.

\*\*\*\*\*Leonard D. Amato (U) resigned 10/09/21 leaving seat vacant.

- 7 members can serve including one BOE voting member and one Town Facilities Commission voting member. The TFC has not met in several years.
- There are no terms.
- Requires BOS and RTM approval.
- Examples of projects the Committee has been involved in include several school roof replacements and the school security panels installation.

### Original Charge – 2003

Suggested recommendations from the Town Facilities Commission (TFC) to the First Selectman regarding the establishment of a standing building committee:

In order to facilitate school and town construction projects, the TFC recommends that a standing building committee be created and charged with implementing all building projects assigned by the Board of Selectmen that are less than \$3 million in cost, or any other projects as may otherwise be determined by the Board of Selectmen. The committee should be charged with the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications and authorized to file for a grant application with the State Department of Education or any other sources offering reimbursements or grants.

The committee should consist of not less than five, but not more than seven members. The committee should consist of not less than five, but not more than seven members.

One member shall be a member of the Town Facilities Commission and shall serve as chair, one member shall be a member of the Board of Education and the remaining members shall be as determined by the Board of Selectmen. The Town Facilities Commission will provide input on the members being considered for appointment and at least two of the members appointed will be members that have been recommended by the Town Facilities Commission. In addition, the Superintendent of Schools (for school projects) and the First Selectman (for Town projects) shall appoint a designee to serve as an ex-officio member whose primary responsibilities will be to plan projects, coordinate pre-construction and construction activities and to file all necessary paperwork required for State reimbursement or other grants.

**From:** [null@town.fairfield.ct.us](mailto:null@town.fairfield.ct.us)  
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## Boards and Commissions Interest Form

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<b>ID</b>	109
<b>First Name</b>	Carlos R
<b>Last Name</b>	Olivieri Jr
<b>Street Address</b>	880 Old Post Road
<b>Zip Code</b>	06824
<b>Email Address</b>	Carlosolivieri43@gmail.com
<b>Cell Phone</b>	646-461-0714
<b>Home Phone</b>	203-255-4160
<b>Work Phone</b>	646-640-6721
<b>Voter Registration Status</b>	Yes
<b>Political Party Affiliation</b>	Republican Party
<b>Board or Commission</b>	Special Projects Standing Building Cmte
<b>Read the Boards Role</b>	Yes
<b>How You Learned About the Position</b>	Brenda's emails
<b>Who You Have</b>	



<b>Spoken To</b>	
<b>Explanation of Interest and Contribution</b>	I previously served on the Town Facilities Commission at the time that all of the schools were being built or rebuilt, the sewage treatment plant was being rebuilt, and the Johnson controls energy management system was being designed and installed. I am currently semi retired and would be interested in serving the Town of Fairfield by applying my skill set in construction management to any Town related construction projects.
<b>Resume or Bio</b>	<u>CRO RESUME 2020.doc</u>
<b>Additional Comments</b>	If there are any openings for the Town Facilities Commission, I would also be interested in applying for an appointment to same.

Manage

**CARLOS R. OLIVIERI, JR.**  
880 Old Post Road  
Fairfield, Connecticut 06824-6673  
(203) 255-4160 Home  
(646) 461 0714 Mobile

**EXPERIENCE:**

February 1, 2019 CRO Management LLC, 880 Old Post Road, Fairfield,  
- Present Connecticut 06824-6673  
Position: Managing Partner

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Provide consulting services for Real Estate Development firms acting as Owner's Representative. During the pre-construction phase, review project plans and specifications, review DOB filing requirements and documentation, and make recommendations revisions to improve the means and methods of construction, reduce schedule impacts, and enhance the operating components of various project systems.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully assisted the developer of a condominium project in New Jersey to prepare the RFP for and select the Construction Manager, provided an in depth critique of the plans and specifications, and assisted with the "buyouts" of the major trade contracts resulting in a significant reduction in cost.

January, 1999 Edward J. Minskoff Equities, Inc., 1325 Avenue of the Americas  
- January 31, 2019 New York, New York 10019  
Position: Senior Vice President Construction/Development

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** In addition to the Duties and Responsibilities discharged as the Director of Construction, participated in identifying Real Estate Development opportunities, preparation of RFP responses, financial analysis of proposed developments, negotiation of Ground Leases, Purchase and Sale Agreements, presentations to potential tenants, negotiations with the NYC Economic Development Corporation for site acquisitions and Economic Incentives.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Completed the development and construction of a One Million SF mixed use project which included 227 Condominium Units, 163 Rental Residential Units, and 175,000 SF of Retail space on Land purchased from the City of New York, including responding to a NYCEDC RFP and negotiation of the site acquisition with the NYCEDC. Design and construction of a 210,000 RSF facility for the GSA to serve as the Eastern Region Headquarters for the FAA on Land purchased from the NYCEDC including responding to a NYCEDC RFP and negotiation of the site acquisition with the NYCEDC. Design and construction of a 300,000 RSF commercial office building at 51 Astor Place in Lower Manhattan. Acquisition of 1166 Avenue of the Americas (Lower Condominium Interest) including preparation of existing premises consisting of 545,000 RSF for occupancy by a major Financial Institution. Acquisition of 825 Seventh Avenue (Commercial Condominium) including preparation of the existing premises consisting of 180,000 RSF for occupancy by multiple tenants. Preparation of responses to several RFP's which resulted in the award of certain development sites in Queens, NY, Lower Manhattan, the Lower East Side, and the West Side of Manhattan.

August, 1994 Edward J. Minskoff Equities, Inc., 1325 Avenue of the Americas  
- December, 1998 New York, New York 10019  
Position: Director of Construction

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Direct the construction and construction management activities of Edward J. Minskoff Equities, Inc. related to new construction, tenant improvements and capital improvements. Review the construction aspects of all leases entered into with tenants for demised premises and ground leases. Retain and prepare agreements for the services of architects, engineers, general contractors and sub-contractors for the design and performance of all construction work. Develop the scope of work and budgets for new developments, capital improvements, tenant improvements and landlord work. Review the plans and specifications prepared for each project confirming zoning and the then current code requirements, and meeting with representatives of the DOB to discuss and/or resolve any "Objections" issued by the DOB.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Completed the construction of infrastructure, roadwork and utilities for 172-acre project at what was formerly known as Roosevelt Raceway in Westbury, New York. The project included 625,000 s.f. of retail, theater and restaurant construction. The project was completed within nine (9) months after the start of construction. Entered into design/build agreements with contractors in Detroit, Michigan for the design/build of 250,000 s.f. of space for the General Services Administration on behalf of Social Security Administration, United States Attorney, and the Department of the Navy. Project was completed ahead of schedule and under budget. Instituted a program of Capital and Tenant Improvements at 590 Madison Avenue for 625,000 s.f. between the 18th and 42nd floors, including the retrofitting of floors for multi-tenanted use. Completed a 450,000 s.f. design/build tenant improvement at 60 Broad Street for the New York State Office of General Services on behalf of three (3) agencies including the Office of Court Administration, The Insurance Department and Department of Housing and Community Renewal (DHCR). The project was completed under budget and on schedule. Negotiated a lease with the General Services Administration to design, build,

manage and operate a 210,000 sf facility for the Federal Aviation Administration to be utilized as their Eastern Region Headquarters in the vicinity of JFK Airport in Queens, New York.

July, 1992 AJ Contracting Company, Inc., 470 Park Avenue South,  
- August, 1994 New York, New York 10016  
Position: Vice President

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Supervise the activities of Project Managers and Field Operations personnel for Interiors Projects for NYNEX New York (30 Floors in 5 different buildings), Rivington House Health Care Facility (242 Bed Long Term Care Facility for AIDS patients), Pre-construction services for Chelsea Piers (Multi-Recreational Facility, including Ice Skating Rinks, Golf Driving Range, T.V. and Movie Studios, Training Center and Retail), New York City School Construction Authority (SCA) Mentor Program, SCA Board of Education Leased Properties Program, and Fire Alarm and Protection Upgrade of 18 Modular Housing Units at Riker's Island. Preparation of responses for RFP's, including RFP for Health Care Facilities, Retail Facilities, Historic Preservation Work, and Public Sector Projects. Administrative responsibilities including assisting in the computerization of Field Operations Documentation, and participation in the Management Committee setting the corporate goals, and refining systems and procedures.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Assisted NYNEX New York in establishing new standards for interior office renovation with savings in construction cost and schedule, succeeded in obtaining the award of several major projects, including the New York Public Library Science Industry and Business Library, Chelsea Piers, SCA Programs, New York City DGS projects, and several interiors projects.

January, 1988 HRH Construction Corporation, 909 Third Avenue,  
- June, 1992 New York, New York 10022  
Position: Vice President

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Supervise the activities of all project staff for the Worldwide Plaza Project, including Commercial (1,565,000 S.F.), Residential (652 Condominiums), Theater (6 Movie Theaters), Subway Station (at Eighth Avenue and 50th Street); 101 Avenue of the Americas (400,000 S.F. Commercial Building), including Tenant Fitout, Fresh Creek Landing (282 Condominiums); 1325 Avenue of the Americas (several interiors projects); Administrative responsibilities including coordination of Field Operations, Project Schedule, Project Cost, Site Mobilization, Purchasing and liaison with the Owner.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Implemented project control procedures at Worldwide Plaza to mitigate cost and schedule overruns experienced at the project prior to my involvement. Completed 101 Avenue of the Americas within 17 months after the start of excavation, including Tenant fitout, and saved the Developer 13% against the final budget.

November, 1984 HRH Construction Corporation, 909 Third Avenue,  
- December, 1987 New York, NY 10022  
Position: Senior Project Manager

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Design Development, budgeting, scheduling, value engineering, purchasing, Contract Administration, negotiation of change orders, expediting materials, equipment and labor, site safety coordination and insurance program monitoring for 1.1 million s.f. office building in lower Manhattan at 32 Old Slip.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully staffed up the project, saved the Developer over 15% of the original project budget through the design development phase and purchasing phase of the project and set up an extremely ambitious job progress schedule and monitoring procedures for the completion of the project within 14 months after the start of construction.

January, 1983 Riverview Interiors, Inc., 200 Old Palisades Road, Fort Lee,  
- November, 1984 New Jersey 07024  
Apollo Consulting Managers, Inc., 2 Fairchild Circle, Trumbull,  
Connecticut 06611

Position: Chief Operating Officer of Riverview Interiors, Inc.  
and President of Apollo Consulting Managers, Inc.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** As C.O.O. of Riverview Interiors, assumed responsibility for sales, construction, accounts receivable and payables, staffing and preparation of financial projections. Apollo Consulting Managers, Inc. provided construction consultation monitoring services to developers and performed general contracting work at Bronx Community College.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Review Interiors, Inc. performed interior alteration work for Helmsley Spear, Inc. and several other commercial clients, as well as residential clients.

November, 1981 Hatt Associates, Inc., Nova Park Gotham, 10 West 56th Street,  
- December, 1982 New York, New York 10019  
Position: General Manager of Construction and Real Estate, North America

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Organize the Headquarters for the North American Division of Nova Park A.G. of Zurich, Switzerland, including staffing, planning, construction, financing, organization and preparation of developmental packages for prospective hotel acquisitions. Supervise the activities of the architect, construction manager, the Interior Design Department and act as liaison with the hotel operations in the development and completion of the Nova Park Hotel.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully organized and staffed the North American Headquarters, including a field staff (for work on the Nova Park Gotham), Accounting Department, Interior Design Department, General Development and Investment Department within four (4) months after taking on the assignment.

April, 1979 Morse Diesel, Inc., 1133 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New  
- October, 1981 York 10036  
Position: Assistant Vice President

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Supervised the activities of four (4) project managers in the construction and control of major projects in the New York Metropolitan area. Reported directly to the Chairman of the Board, Carl A. Morse, on matters concerning the projects, as well as troubleshooting on other projects under the control of other divisions within the Corporation.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully completed the construction of the Helmsley Palace Hotel, Harley Hotel, Asia Society and a luxury co-op known as Century Tower.

January, 1978 Slater Construction and Realty Company, 40 North Van Brunt  
- April, 1979 Street, Englewood, New Jersey 07631  
Position: Vice President/Project Manager

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Estimating, Progress Schedules, negotiating subcontracts, preparing bid packages, supervision of field personnel, cost control, organizing and staffing, development and implementation of standard operating procedures, dealing directly with the architect and the engineers during design and development phase of the project.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully mobilized a dormant project (dormant over four (4)) years within three (3) months.

July, 1972 Sovereign Construction Company, Ltd., a Division of the Titan  
- January, 1978 Group, Inc., East 81 State Highway 4, Paramus, New Jersey  
07652  
Position: Project Engineer/Project Manager

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Estimating, preparing CPM Schedules, requisitions for payment, processing and coordination of shop drawings, preparation of projected cash flow, negotiation of proposals for Extra Work, Scope of Work for Bid Packages, supervision of superintendent and assistants, implementation of and effective management and maintenance system for major housing projects.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Successfully completed the building of 1,000 dwelling units on Roosevelt Island and completed the construction of the D&H Building for State University Construction Fund in Albany, New York, including the preparation of and subsequent settlement of a claim with State University Construction Fund.

June, 1969 Between 1969 and 1972, held the positions of Asst. - July, 1972 Superintendent, Inspector and Asst. Project Manager were held with Morse Diesel, Inc., Rosenwasser and the New York State Urban Development Corporation.

**EDUCATION:** St. Pascal Baylon High School, St. Albans, New York - Graduated 1965  
University of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan, Graduated 1969 with Bachelor of Science  
University of Connecticut, Stamford Branch, Graduated in 1977 with M.B.A. in Finance.

**PERSONAL:** Married, with 3 children  
Birthdate: October 28, 1947  
Height: 5'9" Weight: 185  
Health: Excellent

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

Former Adjunct Professor for 25 years at New York University, Real Estate Institute,

School of Continuing Education, Masters of Science in Construction Management

Program teaching Project Finance and Development. Currently Chair the Curriculum Committee for Fordham University Real Estate Institute, Construction Management Program.

Member of REBNY.

References will be supplied upon request.

**Duck Farm Road Bridge- Construction Phase = \$3,729,800 (includes Construction Phase –Inspection note 80% Reimbursable through Federal Local Bridge Program) Town share= \$ 745,960**

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1. **Background** – Duck Farm Road is a southeast/northwest collector road which serves as a local route to several neighborhoods, schools and highways. The bridge crossing over the Mill River was constructed in 1959. The bridge # 04953 will have a 72 clear span, maintain the same 30 ft roadway width and includes a pedestrian sidewalk along the south side. The final design for the bridge project has received final approval. The Contract bid process is scheduled for December 2021 as required by CT DOT. The proposed bridge will contain steel girders resting on concrete abutments footings. The bridge has a poor condition rating by the Connecticut DOT and needs replacement.
2. **Purpose and Justification** – The purpose of the project is to replace the existing bridge with a new bridge that will have a predicted service life of over 75 years. It will allow the Town to perform the planned replacement of this structure. It will allow commuter, commercial and general public traffic to access neighborhoods, schools, businesses, highways, and local roads in this section of Town. Preliminary and Final Design, structural plans, hydrologic studies, Right of Way easements and contract specifications have been completed. Construction is expected to start Spring 2022. The project has been listed on the Capital Improvement project list (Waterfall Chart) for several years via design and construction.
3. **Detailed Description of Proposal** – The project will include contractor labor, equipment, and materials for bridge construction. Also included in the proposal is Construction Administration, Inspection, Testing and State oversight that contains:
  - Coordination with local and state permitting agencies.
  - Adhering to DOT procedures to preserve funding opportunities and reimbursement.
4. **Reliability of Cost Estimate** – Based on recent DOT bridge projects, and Engineer’s estimate of probable costs, on a scale of 0 to 10 the reliability of the estimate is 8.5 based on the most reliable information available and latest Project Authorization Letter (PAL).
5. **Increased Efficiency or Productivity** – Allow the public and commerce safe and efficient access to and from their homes, businesses and destination points.
6. **Additional Long Range Costs** – The subsequent construction phase of the bridge (anticipated 2022) will be in the \$3.73 Million range. This project has been approved for federal funding through the federal Local Bridge program. The Town will receive 80% reimbursement of eligible costs for construction administration, inspection and construction costs of the project. The bridge will have a 75 year service life span before it will need to be rehabilitated or replaced. For the first decade, only minor maintenance is expected for the new bridge.
7. **Additional Use or Demand on Existing Facilities** – None Anticipated.
8. **Alternatives to this Request** – The Bridge does not meet current bridge standards and is listed in poor but not serious condition. If we do nothing, the bridge will eventually have the weight limit reduced further and that would impact local traffic and could lead to eventual limitations or closure. Not pursuing construction of the bridge could result in loss of potential grant funding and the state/federal government could ask for reimbursement of design funds.
9. **Safety and Loss Control** –Further deterioration of bridge will limit weights further (weight limit was reduced by 3 tons once already but still very serviceable) and then could lead to further limitations and then eventual closure. Guiderail/wall approaches will be included in the construction as safety features.

10. **Environmental Considerations** – All environmental permits are secured. Reviews by USACE, CT DEEP, Fairfield Inland Wetlands have resulted in approvals for the project.
11. **Insurance** – The selected contractor and Consultant will be required to carry the necessary insurance prescribed by the Purchasing Department.
12. **Financing** – Project will be bonded as part of the Capital budget of 2022. The Town will be reimbursed 80% of all eligible construction phase costs. Typically contractor and consultant invoices are paid by the Town, with concurrent requests for reimbursements. Electronic reimbursement payments are typically issued one to two months after processing, with exception of materials testing and final audit which take longer.
13. **Other Considerations**: Advertising for contract bid must occur by December 15, 2021 to ensure federal funding.

**Other Approvals:**

Board of Selectman	-	Nov. 15, 2021
Board of Finance	-	Nov. 16, 2021
RTM	-	Nov. 29, 2021

PAL ATTACHMENT  
STATE PROJECT NO. 0050-0220  
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. 6050(015) (CN)  
ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COSTS

A. Contract Items and Contingencies	\$ 3,052,500.00
B. Incidentals to Construction – Municipal Inspection Services	\$ 272,500.00
C. Incidentals to Construction – Municipal Design Services	\$ 26,200.00
D. Extra Work Allowance – Municipal Services (+/-10% of B)	\$ 27,300.00
E. Total Municipal Cost (A+B+C+D)	\$ 3,378,500.00
F. Incidentals to Construction – DOT Materials Testing	\$ 83,300.00
G. Incidentals to Construction – DOT CLE Services	\$ 83,300.00
H. Incidentals to Construction – DOT Administrative Oversight	\$ 138,800.00
I. Incidentals to Construction – DOT Audits	\$ 13,900.00
J. Extra Work Allowance by DOT Forces (+/-10% of [F+G+H+I])	\$ 32,000.00
K. Total Incidentals to Construction – DOT (F+G+H+I+J)	\$ 351,300.00
L. Total Construction Cost – Participating (E+K)	\$ 3,729,800.00
M. Federal Proportionate Share of the Total Construction Cost (80% of L)	\$ 2,983,840.00
N. Municipal Proportionate Share of the Total Construction Cost (20% of L)	\$ 745,960.00
O. Maximum Amount of Reimbursement to the Municipality (80% of E)	\$ 2,702,800.00
P. Demand Deposit Required from the Municipality for State-provided Services in accordance with Article 3, Paragraph 18(a), of the Master Agreement (20% of K)	\$ 70,260.00



**Construction Fees**

	Fee	Notes
Low Bid	\$ 2,775,000.00	WSP FDP - OPC
Contingencies (10%)	\$ 277,500.00	
Municipal - Misc. Services	\$ -	
Contract Items + Contingencies	\$ 3,052,500.00	

**Inspection Fees**

Construction Inspection Services(Subtotal)	\$ 272,500.00	8/20/2021 - WMC Proposal w/ BJR revisions
Construction Inspection Services(Extra Work)	\$ 27,300.00	10% of CIS Subtotal
Construction Inspection Services(Total Estimated Fee)	\$ 299,800.00	

**Design Fees**

Shop Drawing Review	\$ 9,200.00	11/20/2019 - Supp. Fee Approval
Design Services During Construction(DSDC)	\$ 7,000.00	11/20/2019 - Supp. Fee Approval
Design Services During Construction(Added Allowance DSDC)	\$ 10,000.00	Consider Addl geotech review during pile installation
Construction Inspection Services(Total Estimated Fee)	\$ 26,200.00	

**DOT Oversight**

DOT Mat. Test	3.00%	\$ 83,250.00	\$ 83,300.00
CLE CN Services	3.00%	\$ 83,250.00	\$ 83,300.00
DOT MSAT	5.00%	\$ 138,750.00	\$ 138,800.00
DOT Audit	0.50%	\$ 13,875.00	\$ 13,900.00
EW - DOT Services		\$ 31,912.50	\$ 32,000.00
<b>Total DOT Incidentals</b>		\$ 351,037.50	\$ 351,300.00

**A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$3,729,800 FOR THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF THE DUCK FARM ROAD BRIDGE, AUTHORIZING A GRANT TO REIMBURSE \$2,983,840 OF SUCH APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE A PORTION OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.**

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**Background:**

The Town of Fairfield (the "Town") submitted a local bridge application to the Connecticut State Department of Transportation ("DOT") under the Federal Local Bridge Program for a grant to fund the construction phase costs associated with the replacement of the Duck Farm Road Bridge. DOT has approved such application and offered a grant (the "Grant") to the Town under which the Town would be reimbursed for eighty (80%) percent (\$2,983,840) of the eligible construction phase costs associated with the replacement of the Duck Farm Road Bridge. Such construction phase costs are presently estimated at Three Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 (\$3,729,800) Dollars.

**Resolved:**

1. As recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, the Town of Fairfield appropriates Three Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 (\$3,729,800) Dollars to fund the construction phase costs associated with the replacement of the Duck Farm Road Bridge, including, but not limited to, costs associated with construction labor, equipment, materials, inspection, testing and oversight and all administrative, financing, legal, contingency and other soft costs related thereto (the "Project").
2. The First Selectwoman is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and accept the terms of the Grant from the DOT under the Federal Local Bridge Program in the amount of Two Million Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and 00/100 (\$2,983,840) Dollars to fund a portion of the Project. The First Selectwoman is also hereby authorized to enter into, on behalf of the Town, a grant agreement or other document memorializing the terms of the Grant and to take all action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect and consummate such Grant including executing on behalf of the Town such documents, agreements, contracts and certificates as deemed to be necessary or advisable by the First Selectwoman.
3. As recommended by the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen, the Town shall borrow a sum not to exceed Seven Hundred Forty-five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty and 00/100 (\$745,960) Dollars and issue bonds for such indebtedness under its corporate name and seal and upon the full faith and credit of the Town in an amount not to exceed

said sum for the purpose of financing the portion of the appropriation for the Project not paid for by the Grant.

4. The Board of Selectmen, the Treasurer and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town are hereby appointed a committee (the "Committee") with full power and authority to cause said bonds to be sold, issued and delivered; to determine their form and terms, including provisions for redemption prior to maturity; to determine the aggregate principal amount thereof within the amount hereby authorized and the denominations and maturities thereof; to fix the time of issue of each series thereof and the rate or rates of interest thereon as herein provided; to determine whether the interest rate on any series will be fixed or variable and to determine the method by which the variable rate will be determined, the terms of conversion, if any, from one interest rate mode to another or from fixed to variable; to set whatever other terms of the bonds they deem necessary, desirable or appropriate; to designate the bank or trust company to certify the issuance thereof and to act as transfer agent, paying agent and as registrar for the bonds, and to designate bond counsel. The Committee shall have all appropriate powers under the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended (the "Statutes") including Chapter 748 (Registered Public Obligations Act), and Chapter 109 (Municipal Bond Issues) to issue, sell and deliver the bonds and, further, shall have full power and authority to do all that is required under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and under rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and other applicable laws and regulations of the United States, to provide for issuance of the bonds in tax exempt form and to meet all requirements which are or may become necessary in and subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the bonds in order that the interest on the bonds be and remain exempt from Federal income taxes, including, without limitation, to covenant and agree to restriction on investment yield of bond proceeds, rebate of arbitrage earnings, expenditure of proceeds within required time limitations, the filing of information reports as and when required, and the execution of Continuing Disclosure Agreements for the benefit of the holders of the bonds and notes.
5. The First Selectwoman and Treasurer or Chief Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the Town, shall execute and deliver such bond purchase agreements, reimbursement agreements, line of credit agreement, credit facilities, remarketing agreement, standby marketing agreements, bond purchase agreement, standby bond purchase agreements, and any other commercially necessary or appropriate agreements which the Committee determines are necessary, appropriate or desirable in connection with or incidental to the sale and issuance of bonds, and if the Committee determines that it is necessary, appropriate, or desirable, the obligations under such agreements shall be secured by the Town's full faith and credit.
6. The First Selectwoman and Treasurer or Chief Fiscal Officer shall execute on the Town's behalf such interest rate swap agreements or similar agreements related to the bonds for

the purpose of managing interest rate risk which the Committee determines are necessary, appropriate or desirable in connection with or incidental to the carrying or selling and issuance of the bonds, and if the Committee determines that it is necessary, appropriate or desirable, the obligations under such interest rate swap agreements shall be secured by the Town's full faith and credit.

7. The bonds may be designated "Public Improvement Bonds of the Town of Fairfield," series of the year of their issuance and may be issued in one or more series, and may be consolidated as part of the same issue with other bonds of the Town; shall be in serial form maturing in not more than twenty (20) annual installments of principal, the first installment to mature not later than three (3) years from the date of issue and the last installment to mature not later than twenty (20) years from the date of issuance or as otherwise provided by statute. The bonds may be sold at an aggregate sales price of not less than par and accrued interest at public sale upon invitation for bids to the responsible bidder submitting the bid resulting in the lowest true interest cost to the Town, provided that nothing herein shall prevent the Town from rejecting all bids submitted in response to any one invitation for bids and the right to so reject all bids is hereby reserved, and further provided that the Committee may sell the bonds on a negotiated basis, as provided by statute. Interest on the bonds shall be payable semi-annually or annually. The bonds shall be signed on behalf of the Town by at least a majority of the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer, and shall bear the seal of the Town. The signing, sealing and certification of the bonds may be by facsimile as provided by statute.
8. The Committee is further authorized to make temporary borrowings as authorized by the Statutes and to issue temporary notes of the Town in anticipation of the receipt of proceeds from the sale of the bonds to be issued pursuant to this resolution or in anticipation of the receipt of the Grant. Such notes shall be issued and renewed at such time and with such maturities, requirements and limitations as provided by the Statutes. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the First Selectwoman and Treasurer or the Chief Fiscal Officer, have the seal of the Town affixed, which signing and sealing may be by facsimile as provided by statute, be certified by and payable at a bank or trust company incorporated under the laws of this or any other state, or of the United States, be approved as to their legality by bond counsel, and may be consolidated with the issuance of other Town bond anticipation notes. The Committee shall determine the date, maturity, interest rates, form and manner of sale, including negotiated sale, and other details of said notes consistent with the provisions of this resolution and the Statutes and shall have all powers and authority as set forth above in connection with the issuance of bonds and especially with respect to compliance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and regulations thereunder in order to obtain and maintain issuance of the notes in tax exempt form.
9. Pursuant to Section 1.150-2, as amended, of the Federal Income Tax Regulations the Town hereby declares its official intent to reimburse expenditures (if any) paid for the Project from its General or Capital Funds, such reimbursement to be made from the

proceeds of the sale of bonds and notes authorized herein and in accordance with the time limitations and other requirements of said regulations.

10. The First Selectwoman, the Chief Fiscal Officer and Town Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of material events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution.
11. The Committee is hereby authorized to take all action necessary and proper for the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds and notes in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes and the laws of the United States.