

COMMITTEE ON LANDS & BUILDINGS

March 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Chairman Levasseur called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Levasseur, Vincent, Thomas, Long, Goonan

Messrs.: P. Chiesa

1. Communication from Phil Croasdale, Water Works Director, requesting that 2.5 acres located on Cohas Avenue be deemed surplus and that the department be allowed to sell said property.

On motion of Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman Goonan, it was voted to approve.

2. Communication from Atty. John Bisson on behalf of IV T, LLC to deem property located at 896 Goffs Falls Road (Tax Map 871, Lot 4) surplus to city needs, dispose of said property through direct sale to IV T, LLC, and authorize the Mayor to sign the deed without covenants.

Chairman Levasseur stated Atty. Chiesa just handed me a little change to the deed. It is the sixth paragraph down. The last sentence says "vesting title to surplus land in the City of Manchester." We would like to scratch that out. Can I get a motion to amend the deed?

Alderman Goonan moved to amend the deed as stated. **Alderman Vincent** duly seconded the motion. Chairman Levasseur called for a vote. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Alderman Vincent moved to approve the request as amended. **Alderman Long** duly seconded the motion.

Alderman Long asked is this property being sold.

Peter Chiesa, Deputy Solicitor, answered we are just conveying whatever interest we might have in that property. If you recall, last fall we went to Goffs Falls Road and discontinued the old street. They are concerned about getting title to that old street. We don't believe the city owns it but as a token of good faith and because it certainly doesn't create an exposure to the city, we advise going ahead and giving them a deed without covenants. It doesn't say that we claim we own anything. We are just conveying them whatever interest we might have.

Alderman Long asked so if it is a deed we own it.

Atty. Chiesa responded we don't own it as far as the surveyor is concerned and in my brief analysis. They think we do have an interest so they suggested that we convey

whatever interest we might have to them. We are not guaranteeing that we own anything or making any covenants or provinces.

Alderman Long asked but if it is deeded that we own it, this now gives them the authority to the property correct.

Atty. Chiesa replied we are giving them whatever interest the city might have in this property.

Alderman Long asked so there is no financial transaction.

Atty. Chiesa answered no.

Chairman Levasseur called for a vote. *There being none opposed, the motion carried.*

Alderman Long moved to remove Item 3 from the table. There was no second.

TABLED ITEM

3. Communication from Mark Gomez, Chief of Parks, Recreation & Cemetery, requesting the following:
- Remove all the wooden posts and signs in the Gill/JFK area;
 - Install a large sign on the exterior of Gill Stadium, of a style in harmony with this historic facility, to include the names of all contributors and a way-finding map to the trees they sponsored; and
 - Make available to family members the existing name plate, should they so desire it.

(Note: Tabled on 2/20/24 pending further information from the department.)

There being no further business, on motion of Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman Vincent, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.



Clerk of Committee