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Food Truck Committee
Bill Napolitano - Chair
Jeff Curtis
Norma Jarrett
Tom Lombardo
Frank Petise

Food Truck Committee – Meeting Minutes

DATE:	Friday, February 2, 2024
TIME:	11:00am
LOCATION:	Via Zoom
ATTENDANCE:	<u>Committee Members:</u> Bill Napolitano, Jeff Curtis, Norma Jarrett, Frank. Petise - Tom Lombardo absent <u>City of Stamford Staff:</u> Kathy Ruther, Gloria Montoya

COMMITTEE MINUTES		
	ITEM NAME	ACTION
1.	Call to Order	Committee Chair Bill Napolitano called the meeting to order at 11:05am.
2.	Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve minutes from 11/02/23 by Norma Jarrett, 2 nd by Frank Petise, passed unanimously.
2.	Public Comment	Kristin Keeler, Julian's NY Hotdogs – comment regarding Latham Park. Alex & Gabby – comment regarding Stillwater Avenue.
4.	Change to Restricted Area Latham Park / Prospect Street	Chair Napolitano proposes amending the restriction to Latham Park (voted on at last month's meeting) to allow for vending on the Walton Place side of Latham Park. This would result in a restriction to include Prospect Street and Forest Street surrounding Latham Park. Motion to amend by Jeff Curtis, 2 nd by Frank Petise. Passed unanimously.
5.	215 Stillwater Avenue Complaint	Jonathan Gottlieb from Housing Authority requested to speak. Two food trucks are currently allowed to vend in front of the 215 Stillwater Avenue building. Mr. Gottlieb relayed complaints from residential and commercial tenants regarding noise, odors, and line-of-sight blocking entrances and exits, as well as economic impact on the building. He is requesting

		<p>relocation of vendors to across the street.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to visit the site, review historical agreements about the site, and develop a compromise plan to mitigate some of the issues presented. Issue is held until next meeting.</p>
6.	Update on Atlantic Street	<p>Chair Napolitano provided an update on Atlantic Street – City Ordinance requires 100 feet from existing restaurants. 410 is assigned to Daniel's Food Truck and Nelson's Food Truck assigned to 411 A and B. Nelson also provided a letter allowing for closer location to his restaurant, and Navartna has agreed to closer location as well.</p> <p>Norma Jarrett explained that food is allowed to be cooked inside a qualified commercial establishment and brought out to/sold from the truck.</p> <p>Nelson needs to complete some additional smaller requirements and he should be all set. Gloria will follow-up with him.</p>
7.	New business / additional public comment	<p>Renee Brown – comment on food truck ordinances.</p> <p>Alex & Gabby – additional comments regarding Stillwater Avenue location.</p> <p>Kristin Keeler – additional comments on food truck ordinances.</p> <p>Kindrea Walston – District Rep for Renee. Requesting additional staffing to support food truck vendors, and requesting that her constituent cease being harassed. Rep. Walston had question about Ordinance she is not familiar with regarding Alden Street full-time parking of permitted food trucks. Chair Napolitano relayed that each permit has a daily start and end time. Norma Jarrett responded to her comments about staffing, loss of revenue by her constituent, and charges of harassment. Gloria Montoya tells her that there is an ordinance prohibiting commercial vehicles parking overnight on residential streets, and she or the residents should report appropriately (Fix-It Stamford).</p> <p>Renee Brown – said cops were called, Parks Dept relocated her. Truck was ticketed over 6 times, and she is being discriminated against. Chair Napolitano asked her to call and we will try to assist. Norma confirmed that her license was</p>

		<p>applied for Jan. 4th, approved same day by Health Dept., and Gloria issued Jan 8th. Fire Marshal inspection is now due, she needs to call the Health Department to make the appointment.</p> <p>Gustavo Hernandez – Alexia – comment regarding Stillwater Avenue vending.</p>
7.	Adjourn	<p>Chair Napolitano called for a motion to adjourn, moved by Jeff Curtis, seconded by Norma Jarrett.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 12:12pm.</p>

Video for this meeting can be viewed by clicking [HERE](#).

Submitted by Kathy Ruther.

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