



RECORD OF DISCUSSION

Citizens Advisory Council
for Housing Matters

January 22, 1980 7:00 p.m.
CHIEF

Absent: Arnold, Coll, Cugno, DeNigris, Rivera, Shilinga, Sharpe, Washington,
Hanks, Maurer, Reeves

Guests: Margaret Rutledge, LWV

The meeting convened at 7:10 p.m. A quorum was not obtained.

A. Court Facilities Subcommittee - Stafford reported for Washington, who was absent. Stafford advised that he has spoken with Judge Spada, who reiterated his position that the present Hartford location is inadequate. Augur presented a letter from the State office of Protection and Advocacy for the Handicapped, which advises that the Hartford building is inaccessible and inadequate. It was decided that present and future facilities will be discussed in the evaluation due February 1980. Stafford and Guertin were commissioned to research facility criteria for inclusion in this report and report back to Augur within one week. After February, specific sites will be investigated by the facilities subcommittee.

B. Forms Committee - Podalsky
A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was unanimously VOTED to adopt the proposed forms with minor modifications to be made as needed by the Subcommittee.

C. Legislation Subcommittee - Podalsky
The seven proposed bills were reviewed page by page. Podalsky cautioned that these bills address the narrow issue of tools needed by the Court and not broader housing issues.

Bill #1, p. 1: A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was PASSED to accept p. 1 with the deletion of "j". Yes: 4 No: Augur, Podalsky p. 2: A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was unanimously PASSED to accept p. 2 with a change to three housing specialists in Section 2a and amendments as discussed to Section 2c.

p. 3: A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was unanimously VOTED to accept p. 3 with a change to "deputy Chief Clerk" in Section 4.

p. 4: A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was unanimously PASSED to accept p. 4 as shown.

p. 5 Section 6: A MOTION (Stafford - Femia) was DEFEATED to reduce the proposed size of the Advisory Council from 17 to 13. Yes: 3 No: 3 Podalsky, Augur, Greenblatt.

A MOTION (Stafford - Guertin) was PASSED to leave the Governor as the appointing agent for Council members. Yes: 5 No: 1 Podalsky

A MOTION (Augur - Greenblatt) was unanimously PASSED to amend the text regarding terms as discussed.

P. 5, Section 7: Repeat change to "deputy Chief Clerk "





p. 5, Section 8: Amend to regular session of general assembly and add Chief Court Administrator.

p. 6-A MOTION (Femia - Greenblatt) was unanimously PASSED to accept p. 6 as shown.

Bill #2 - Approved as shown.

Bill #3 - Approved as shown.

Bill #4 - Approved as shown.

Bill #5 - A MOTION (Stafford - Greenblatt) was PASSED to delete the proposed change from 6 to 12 months in Section 2 p. 3.

Yes: 3 No: Podalsky, Augur, abstention: Femia

Bill #6 - Approved as shown.

Bill #7 - Approved as shown.

D. Research Subcommittee - Augur

The Evaluation report is due at the General Assembly no later than 2/28/80. Individual sections have yet to be written. The Council's position on a number of issues must be addressed before the report can be written.

A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was PASSED to recommend leaving the size of the district covered by the Court (30 towns) Yes: 5 No: 1 Augur

A MOTION (Greenblatt - Femia) was unanimously PASSED to recommend to continue the Court in two locations.

A MOTION (Greenblatt - Podalsky) was unanimously PASSED to recommend continuing the Court in the Hartford-New Britain Judicial District only until the next evaluation by the Council.

E. Other Business

A MOTION (Femia - Podalsky) was unanimously PASSED to authorize Augur to write Chief State's Attorney regarding the time of Housing Court Prosecutor R. Weizalis.

A MOTION (Podalsky - Greenblatt) was PASSED to add the Housing Court staff to the mailing list. Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstentions: 1 Guertin

It was reported that the Judicial Department has appropriated funds to continue the Housing Court. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Femia, Recording Secretary

