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April 17, 2007

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

The Committee on Legislative Matters convened on April 17, 2007 with Chairman Thomas Taylor presiding and Committee Members Aldermen Rebekah Gewirtz, Dennis Sullivan and Robert Trane also present and voting. Also present were Michael Lambert from the Mayor's Office, Election Commissioner Nicholas Salerno, Director of Veterans Services Frank Senesi, City Solicitor John Gannon, former Veterans Services Director Leon Curtin, Health Director Noreen Burke, Stephen Mackey and Ron Bonvie from the Chamber of Commerce and interested members of the public.

Mr. Curtin and Mr. Gannon told the members that there is a state statute that allows living persons to have dedications made in their names. Alderman Trane suggested that a committee, other than Veterans Services, be established to deal with dedications for non veterans and he stated that he would work with the Administration to establish such a committee.

Mr. Gannon addressed the members regarding a revision to the Code of Ordinances to ban smoking in public parks and stated that the amendment would apply to tot lots, as well. Violations would carry a fine of \$25. Ms. Burke told the members that the Health Department is posting signs at all the parks to raise public awareness and added that she believes that the chances of enforcement are highly unlikely.

The committee discussed matters before it and took action on the following 2 items:

182234: Communication from Mayor - Conveying suggested standards for use by the Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

RECOMMENDATION: Should be approved

VOTE: Unanimous, 4 - 0 in favor

182370: Order - By Ald. Gewirtz, That the City Solicitor prepare a revision to Ordinance 6-3 with regard to smoking in parks.

RECOMMENDATION: Should be approved

VOTE: Unanimous, 4 - 0 in favor

Alderman Thomas F. Taylor, Chairman
Committee on Legislative Matters

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