

**City of Norwich  
School Building Committee (2020)  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Thursday January 8, 2026 6:30pm  
At the Kelly Middle School Community Room  
25 Mahan Dr, Norwich  
and virtually via Zoom**

1. Call to order: Chairman Bettencourt called the meeting to order at 6:35pm noting a quorum was present. Members attending in addition to the chairman were Shiela Hayes, Pete Procko, Mark Kulos and Chrisine Distasio on site and Peter Gauthier and Cindy Beauregard on Zoom. Zato Kadambaya and Greg Ballasi had reported they wouldn't be at the meeting. William Hull was absent due to injury. Superintendent Lessard was present via Zoom and Matt Brown was on site. From CSG Jim Guliano, Mike Faenza and Samantha D'Agostino were present and from DRA, Greg Smolley was present.
2. Executive Session: A motion to enter executive session to conduct interviews of Newfield and O&G for the Construction Manager (CM) RFPs for a new Teachers Middle School and Huntington Central Office/Adult Education. CSG and DRA staffs and city officials will be invited to attend; was made by Shiela Hayes and seconded by Peter Procko. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously, 7-0 at 6:37pm. Member Joseph DeLucia arrived at the beginning of the executive session.
3. The committee exited executive session at 9:30pm. The chairman noted that no votes were taken. The chairman noted that it was the will of the committee that no vote would be taken on the CM RFP's and the matter would be added to the agenda of the next regular meeting.
4. Adjournment- A motion to adjourn was made by Shiela Hayes and seconded by Mark Kulos. The chairman called the roll and the motion passed unanimously, 8-0, at 9:32pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Bettencourt, Chairman