

**MINUTES OF 158th MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH
HELD ON 29.10.2010 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE MUNICIPAL
CORPORATION, CHANDIGARH.**

The following were present:-

1.	Smt. Anu Chatrath	Mayor
2.	Dr. Roshan Sunkaria	Commissioner
3.	Sh. Bhupinder Singh	Sr. Dy. Mayor
4.	Smt. Sheela Devi	Dy. Mayor
5.	Sh. M.P.S.Chawla	Councillor
6.	Brig.(Retd.) K.S.Chandpuri	Councillor
7.	Dr. A.P. Sanwaria	Councillor
8.	Sh. Resham Chand Jakhu	Councillor
9.	Dr. Neelam Malik	Councillor
10.	Dr. Pam Rajput	Councillor
11.	Ar. P.K. Mukherjee	Councillor
12.	Dr. Amrit Bolaria	Councillor
13.	Sh. Pardeep Chhabra	Councillor
14.	Sh. Vijay Singh Rana	Councillor
15.	Sh. Harphool Chand Kalyan	Councillor
16.	Sh. S.K. Jagota	Councillor
17.	Smt. Kamlesh	Councillor
18.	Sh. Devinder Singh Babla	Councillor
19.	Sh. Manjit Singh	Councillor
20.	Sh. Jagjit Singh Kang	Councillor
21.	Sh. Ravinder Pal Singh	Councillor
22.	Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta	Councillor
23.	Smt. Anju Beniwala	Councillor
24.	Sh. Jatinder Bhatia	Councillor
25.	Smt. Sarita Devi	Councillor
26.	Smt. Raj Kumari	Councillor
27.	Sh. Ram Sumer Morya	Councillor
28.	Sh. Ram Lal	Councillor
29.	Sh. Anil Kumar Dubey	Councillor
30.	Sh. Gurcharan Dass Kalaa	Councillor
31.	Sh. Lalit Siwach, HCS	Secretary

The following Officers also attended the meeting: -

1.	Sh. T.P.S.Phoolka, PCS	Additional Commissioner
2.	Sh. Kamlesh Kumar, HCS	Joint Commissioner
3.	Sh. S.S. Bida	Chief Engineer
4.	Sh. R.K.Goyal	Superintending Engineer (P.H.)
5.	Sh. Mukesh Anand	Superintending Engineer (B&R)
6.	Dr. G.Diwan	Municipal Health Officer
7.	Sh. Desh Raj	Chief Accounts Officer
8.	Sh. Kamal Joshi	XEN (Elec. Divn.)
9.	Sh. Vishal Gupta	XEN Roads Divn. No.1
10.	Sh. Jai Pal Singh	XEN Roads Divn. No.2
11.	Sh. Sanjay Arora	XEN Roads Divn. No.3
12.	Sh. R.S. Bedi	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.1)
13.	Sh. R.S.Ahluwalia	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.2)
14.	Sh. K.S. Sihag	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.3)
15.	Sh. V.K. Garg	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.4)
16.	Sh. Arun Kansal	XEN. Horticulture

At the outset the Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Commissioner, Members of the House, Officers and Media persons.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 157th MEETING OF THE GENERAL HOUSE OF THE CORPORATION HELD ON 29.9.2010 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH.**

The Secretary placed agenda item No.1 before the House for confirmation.

Smt. Kamlesh said that two months ago a decision was taken that the roads in Ram Darbar will be widened after receipt of technical report of the Chief Engineer, but the said report has not so far been submitted. The contractor started the work of widening in Ram Darbar but the local residents protested and the contractor has stopped the work.

The Mayor said that the report was not to be placed before the House rather Chief Engineer was to take a decision in this regard keeping in view the technical aspects. She asked Smt. Kamlesh to discuss the matter with Chief Engineer for further clarification in this regard, if any.

“The House confirmed the minutes of 157th Meeting of the House held on 29.9.2010 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Corporation.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Question/Answer

Question by Sh. Jatinder Bhatia, Councillor

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia said that the question pertains to the recovery of rent from the liquor vends situated on the municipal land. After going through the reply of the office it has been observed that the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh is incurring loss of crore of rupees. The Excise Department seal the liquor vend in case it fails to deposit Excise Duty within time but the Corporation has failed to recover rent from these liquor vends. In the year 2007-08, three liquor vends were defaulter for payment of ground rent, the number of defaulters increased up to seven in the year 2008-09 and out of these seven, three were already defaulters in previous year i.e. 2007-08. He asked why the liquor vends were allotted to the defaulters in the year 2008-09. The number of defaulters in the year 2009-10 have gone up to twelve and in the year 2010-11 only two contractors have deposited the ground rent and rest of the twenty one have not deposited even a single penny to the Corporation. As such an amount of Rs.1,02,07,500/- is due as arrear of rent. He said that every department maintains a register of rent to be recovered but the Corporation has failed to maintain it and recover the rent despite internal and external audit and accounts branch etc. which shows carelessness on the part of the officers. It is strange that the three defaulters of the year 2007-08 were allotted site for liquor vend again and nobody bothered to point it out for recovery of rent.

The Commissioner admitted that the record of these liquor vends was not maintained meticulously by the office, but now the office has generated the record year-wise. He said that the amount Rs.1,02,07,500/- is total amount to be recovered from the liquor vendors and this amount is to be recovered up to 31st March, 2011. Sh. T.P.S. Phoolka, Additional Commissioner has been directed to be in touch with the AETC, U.T., Chandigarh in this regard and assured the House that till 31st March, 2011, 100% recovery shall be made.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia asked why the office did not maintain a list of the liquor vendors and defaulters earlier and why possession was given to the defaulters next year and what efforts the office made to recover outstanding rent ? He asked to give certificate that this information is authenticated.

Sh. R.S. Palli said that in some cases the department claims interest for the delayed period. He was of the view that Corporation should also charge penal interest on the rent for delayed period.

Sh. T.P.S. Phoolka, Additional Commissioner said that he had a talk with the AETC, U.T., Chandigarh telephonically 2-3 months ago and he assured that rent will be recovered from the liquor vendors at the earliest.

Sh. M.P.S. Chawla was of the view that rent of three months should be charged in advance and rent be recovered within 72 hours with interest and in future the liquor vendors be allotted only after issuance of No Dues Certificate by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia also seconded the views of Sh. M.P.S. Chawla.

Sh. Davinder Singh Babla said that earlier the Corporation had recovered the rent from cable operators within 24 hours. Similarly the rent from the defaulting liquor vendors be recovered within 48 hours. He further said that liquor vendors have been given the land on very low rent in comparison to the market rent. In case any one fails to deposit the rent, the liquor vend should be sealed.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia said that two contractors, who were defaulters in paying the ground rent to the Corporation previous year, have not been allotted the liquor vend this year and Corporation cannot recover rent from them. He said that this matter be taken up with the officers of the Chandigarh Administration in the meeting of Coordination committee.

Smt. Kamlesh was of the view that the action should also be taken against the officers/officials responsible for delay in recovering the rent.

The Mayor said that Commissioner should also conduct an inquiry in this matter and fix the responsibility of the officers/officials for causing delay in recovering the rent and financial loss to the Corporation and report of the inquiry be placed before the House for information.

The Commissioner said that a policy regarding the area to be allotted, rent thereof, mode of payment, interest etc. would be prepared and placed before the House for approval.

Sh. Devinder Singh Babla said that as a person enters the city, the presence of so many liquor vends indicates that the residents of the city consume liquor in a large quantity. He further said that the liquor vends situated on municipal land are doing good business in comparison to the liquor vends situated in SCFs and reports of encroachment, brawl, drinking in open spaces are received from these liquor vends. He suggested that Corporation should not allow open spaces for liquor vends and let them run their business in show rooms. Villages & colonies are also full of liquor vends as a result colony residents are involved in squabble and waste their hard earned money. He again requested the House to pass a resolution that Corporation will not allow its land to be used for liquor vends.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra supported the proposal put forth by Sh. Devinder Singh Babla. He further said that Mayor should take up the matter with the Chandigarh Administration that the open spaces under the control of Chandigarh Housing Board and the Chandigarh Administration should also not be given for liquor vends. Most of the land being used for liquor vends at the entry points is with the Chandigarh Administration. Liquor vends should be allowed only in the legally allotted shops. He further said that there was a protest in Sector-15 against the existing liquor vend near the main gate of the Panjab University. It is in the norms of the Excise Department that while allotting the space for liquor vend, it should be kept in view that no school or educational institution should be near it.

Sh. Devinder Singh Babla said, at one hand, the Corporation remove the small vendors who sell their articles on the road side by removing their rehris and imposing fines whereas on the other hand the Corporation allow liquor vends on municipal land.

Sh. Harphool Chand Kalyan said that no liquor vend should be allowed on the municipal land in colonies and villages as the residents waste lot of money on liquor.

***“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the outstanding rent should be recovered from the liquor vends situated on the Municipal land within 48 hours along with the penal interest as being charged by the Chandigarh Administration.*”**

The House further resolved that the inquiry be conducted by the Commissioner & responsibilities be fixed of official /officials for causing delay in recovering the rent & financial loss to the Corporation and inquiry report be placed before the House.

The House also resolved that after 31.3.2011, no municipal land will be given for running the liquor vends.

The House also authorized the Mayor to take up the matter in Co-ordination Meeting conveying the sentiments of the members of the House that even U.T. Administration land or Housing Board Land be also not given for running liquor vends.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Transfer of functions within the Municipal limit of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.3 before the House for consideration.

Sh. A.P. Sanwaria said that as per notification the existing staff of the Civil Dispensaries is going to be transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh and they will continue to work as such till 31.3.2011, which is not far enough. He asked if Corporation will appoint the Doctors and other staff then under which rule they will be recruited and whether the Corporation has framed its rules for those posts. He further said that there is much uncertainty about the future in the minds of the staff to be transferred to the Corporation.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that some sites for schools have also been transferred to the Corporation and the buildings are to be constructed by the Corporation. Similarly 100 bedded Hospital and family health facilities in Maloya, Phase-I and II have also been transferred to the Corporation for which the buildings are to be constructed by the Corporation out of its own budget. He said that when the proposal of transfer of functions was approved by the House it was also desired by the House that the functions should be transferred along with the full budget plan and non-plan. The buildings to be constructed by the Corporation, whether for school or dispensaries, involves thousand crore rupees expenditure and asked where from the Corporation will generate funds to construct these buildings.

The Mayor said that she herself and Commissioner have already taken up the issue with the Chandigarh Administration and the issue will be again discussed with the officers of the Administration in the 9th meeting of the Coordination Committee. She further said that it was also discussed in the meeting that the budget expenditure likely to be incurred for maintenance of roads, schools and dispensaries should also be transferred to the Corporation.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that the Chandigarh Administration had earlier assured to give grant-in-aid to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh in lieu of the transferred functions but at present the Corporation is not receiving any grant-in-aid from Chandigarh Administration and the same will happen with the functions to be transferred to the Corporation.

The Mayor said that in the meeting of Coordination Committee she was apprised by the Adviser that salary of the staff will be paid by the Chandigarh Administration up to 31.3.2011 and after that Chandigarh Administration will allocate grant-in-aid in the budget estimates for the functions transferred to the Corporation.

Dr. A.P.Sanwaria said that the functions are being transferred to the Corporation under 74th amendment of the Constitution of India and accordingly as per stipulations by Central Government 40% of grant-in-aid is to be transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The Commissioner apprised that these functions have been transferred as per resolution of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh. As per the notification of Chandigarh Administration the plan and non-plan budget will be transferred to the Corporation after 31.3.2011. As per recommendation of Delhi Finance Commission, 17½% of the revenue is transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh. Secondly, the grant-in-aid under plan head is regularly decreasing every year. However, the Chandigarh Administration has agreed to transfer the plan and non-plan expenditure for the functions transferred to the Corporation. The Corporation has to create new posts, keeping in view the future projection as the Corporation is facing shortage of staff at present. It is proposed to bring a detail agenda in the House involving financial implication under plan and non-plan heads. Meanwhile the Chandigarh Administration has invited options from the employees whether they want to remain with the Administration or to opt for the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh. The

Corporation will create its own different cadres like Municipal Education Services, Municipal Health Services etc. All the details will be placed before the House, which will show the financial implications involved in the transfer of functions and rules will be framed for these services accordingly. Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh is local body and it is supposed to take care of the welfare of the people both in terms of the education and health by creating its own sources. However, at present the Corporation should welcome the transfer of the functions.

The Mayor said that the Chandigarh Administration should be requested that the budget allocations for the functions transferred to the Corporation should be for ever.

Dr. A.P.Sanwaria drew the attention of the House towards Point No.3(d), according to which AYUSH, RCH, RCM, NRHM, MCH, FW Programme & other national programmes would continue to function as such under the Administrative control of Health Department, Chandigarh Administration and said that it will create confusion to the patients and suggested that these dispensaries should be transferred to Corporation in toto.

The Mayor agreed with the view of Dr. Sanwaria and quoted an example of a dispensary situated in Sector-8, where dental clinic is also being running, but has not been transferred to the Corporation.

“The House resolved that the functions mentioned at Clause 3.(d) namely AYUSH, RCH, RCM, NRHM, MCH, FW Programme & other national programmes, should also be transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh and the budget allocation for the transferred functions should be permanent.”

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra was of the view that out of 22 villages, 9 have been transferred to the Corporation, therefore, the grant-in-aid received for these villages should also be transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

Dr. Neelam Malik said that the dispensaries transferred to the Corporation are under-staff and it would be difficult for Corporation to manage them without sufficient staff.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Proposal to amend Clauses (1), (3) and Proviso 4 to Clause (4) of Article 243T as stipulated in the Constitution (one hundred and twelfth Amendment) Bill, 2009 to provide reservation for SC, ST and Women & Chairpersons by allotment on rotation for at least two terms to different Municipalities.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.4 before the House for consideration.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that there is already a provision in the Municipal Corporation Act for reservation for SC, ST and Women and rotation thereof.

The Mayor said that it is only for information of the House.

“The House agreed for the proposed amendment.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

RCE for P/L 40mm thick asphaltic concrete on V-4 road in Sector – 36, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.5 before the House for consideration.

Sh. P.K.Mukherjee said that the Engineering Wing is paying lacs of rupees for bitumen consultant whose job is to check and ensure the quality of bitumen used in construction work. He desired that the amount paid to the bitumen consultant for the last 4-5 years should be tabled before the House.

The S.E.(B&R) apprised that the Corporation do not have in-House consultant but bitumen quality in road carpeting is being checked through other agencies like Punjab Engineering College etc.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.46.53 lac for providing & laying 40mm thick asphaltic concrete on V-4 road in Sector – 36, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

RCE for P/F 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks on V-6 road, Sector-8 A,B&C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.6 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.128.89 lac for providing & fixing 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks on V-6 road, Sector 8 A,B&C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

RCE for Providing and laying tack coat 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road, Sector 10 A&D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.7 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.52.40 lac for providing & laying tack coat 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road, Sector 10 A&D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

RCE for Providing and fixing 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks on V-6 roads, Sector 11, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.8 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.73.96 lac for providing & fixing 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks on V-6 roads, Sector 11, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Revised Rough cost estimate for Replacement of machinery of Augmentation Water Supply Scheme, Phase-II, Chandigarh (Water Works Kajauli, Pb).

The Secretary placed agenda item No.9 before the House for consideration.

Smt. Kamlesh said that estimates are prepared by the officers after obtaining market rates of items but the same are not attached with the agenda items for information of the House. As a result, Councillors can not compare the rates of the estimate and rates prevailing in the market. She said that the officers should attach the quotations of rates of the items quoted in the estimates so that Councillors could compare the rates only then she would be in favour of approving estimates.

The Chief Engineer explained that the machinery in Phase-II of Kajauli Water Works was installed in the year 1988, as such it is very old machinery whereas it's life span is 15 years and during the last one year it has broken down 6-7 times. The Chief Secretary of the Punjab has written letter that in case the machinery fails in the coming summer season the water supply will be interrupted. Moreover the output of the machinery has been reduced to 60-70%. It is a deposit work and all the

work is to be done by the Punjab Government. Moreover the rates of every items have been quoted in the estimates.

Smt. Kamlesh objected on passing the estimate unless the market rates are mentioned in the agendas.

Dr. A.P.Sanwaria said that earlier the estimate was for Rs.714.65 lac, which was returned back to Punjab Government for amendment as it was on higher side. Now the revised agenda amounting to Rs.333.05 lac has been presented which shows that the estimate has been reduced more than half. He asked the reason of reduced estimate up to such extent whereas it has been observed generally that the revised estimates are always at higher side.

The Chief Engineer clarified that in the earlier estimate there was a provision of replacement of transformer and construction of sub-station etc. but the Corporation asked them to prepare the estimate for the actual expenditure to be incurred and now the estimate is only for the equipments presently required, therefore, the estimate has come down.

“The House considered and by majority resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.333.05 lac for replacement of machinery of Augmentation Water Supply Scheme, Phase-II, Chandigarh (Water Works Kajauli, Pb), be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

To set time frame from preparation of estimate till execution of development works.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.10 before the House for consideration.

The Mayor said that this issue has been discussed between the Councillors and it has been desired that the time schedule given by the office is not proper and it should be curtailed. It has been suggested that the receipt of request for any development work, site visit for measuring and preparation investment should be done within 15 days, approval of estimate be completed within one month and administrative approval of estimate be accorded within one week. Similarly, the works under the head “electrical works” up to Rs.10 lac should be completed within two months and beyond Rs.10 lac within 3-4 months.

The S.E.(B&R) explained that it is not possible to complete the work from receipt of request, site visit for measurement and preparation of estimate within 15 days as it is a lengthy job and one month is required for this work. Similarly 1½ month is required for approval of estimate and 15 days for administrative approval, which is genuine and should not be reduced.

Sh. Jagjit Singh Kang desired that the file should not be sent back with the remark “**Discussed**”, rather the officer should call the officer concerned in his room and clear the objection.

Sh. Devinder Singh Babla said that as earlier stated by the Commissioner in the House the work under Ward Development Fund and Mayor Development Fund should start within three months, however, the time limit for other projects should be reasonable as desired by the officers.

The Chief Engineer said that the time limit mentioned in the agenda is the maximum limit and it may be less.

The Commissioner said that the time frame should be realistic so that officers could complete the work as their responsibilities are multifarious and they have to attend various meetings and field jobs. Therefore, the time limit given in the agenda is reasonable and if they function as per given schedule, it would be appreciable.

Sh. Manjit Singh pointed out that various projects in his ward are pending for a long time despite that tenders have been published 3-4 times but no contractor is coming forward.

The Commissioner clarified that rates are quoted by the contractor and whosoever quotes lowest rates is allotted the work. Moreover the estimates are prepared as per norms of manual and the contractor has to complete the work on the rates quoted by him on the tender.

Sh. Ram Lal said that the projects already passed by the House for Hallomajra & Ram Darbar have not so far been started by the contractor. He requested the Mayor and Commissioner to visit Hallomajra & Ram Darbar and see the condition of the roads.

The Mayor said that the Horticulture Wing takes more than 3 months to install benches and playing equipments for which the rates have already been approved. She suggested that the officers should purchase benches in bulk so that whenever a demand under Ward Development Fund is received from any Councillor, the benches could be installed immediately.

The Commissioner apprised that tender for supply of 450 benches has already been processed.

The House agreed on the time frame submitted by the office from preparation of estimate till execution of development works except that under the head electrical works, the works up to Rs.10 lac be completed within two months, estimate beyond Rs.10 lac and up to Rs.50 lac be completed in 3-4 months.”

The Mayor said that the officers should adhere to the given time frame, however, in case of valid reason relaxation up to one week can be given. She further said that in the recent past the Councillors gave in writing to provide multi-play equipments in parks. When the multi-play equipments were installed in parks it was observed that those equipments were of very small and worth Rs.80,000/- instead of Rs.3.50 lac. She said that right to fix the type of Multiplay System and other playing equipments is with the Finance & Contract Committee or the House and officer should not decide at their level.

Smt. Kamlesh was of the view that there should be a provision of fixing the responsibility of the officers in case the work is not completed within the given time frame.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

RCE for Recarpetting of V-6 roads in Sector 33 A&B, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.11 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.53.51 lac for recarpetting of V-6 roads in Sector 33 A&B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Widening of V-6 road around parks and providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Ram Darbar, Phase- I, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.1 before the House for consideration.

Smt. Kamlesh said that she is not against the agenda but the detail about the sides on which roads are to be widened should be intimated. Moreover there is provision of strengthening of

roads whereas there is no need of strengthening of road as the roads in Ram Darbar have already been strengthened by laying bricks.

The Mayor asked the Chief Engineer to supply all the information whatsoever Smt. Kamlesh requires.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.77.33 lac for widening of V-6 road around parks and providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Ram Darbar, Phase- I, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Widening and providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic concrete on phirni road around Village Hallomajra.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.2 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.74.59 lac for widening and providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic concrete on phirni road around Village Hallomajra, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

RCE for Recarpetting of V-6 roads in Sector 20-A&D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.3 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.53.22 lac for recarpetting of V-6 roads in Sector 20-A&D, Chandigarh be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Revised RCE for Construction of Hall, Ground Floor, Lobby, Dormitory, Mini Conference Hall, First Floor and Renovation of existing Community Centre Building, Sector 8, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.4 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.112.54 lac for construction of Hall, Ground Floor, Lobby, Dormitory, Mini Conference Hall, First Floor and Renovation of existing Community Centre Building, Sector 8, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Estimate for the work of "Supplying, fixing, testing and commissioning of Single Chamber Double orifice Air Valves 200mm (8") dia at various RD's on existing PSC/ MS pipe line for Aug. of Water Supply Scheme, Phase-I, II & IV from water works Kajauli to Punjab Boundary (Chandigarh)."

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.5 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.49.34 lac for the work of "Supplying, fixing, testing and commissioning of Single Chamber Double orifice Air Valves 200mm (8") dia at various RD's on existing PSC/ MS pipe line for Aug. of Water Supply Scheme, Phase-I, II & IV from water works Kajauli to Punjab Boundary (Chandigarh), be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

- **Providing and fixing 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks side of houses in Sector 30-B, Chandigarh**

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.6 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.39.30 lac for providing and fixing 60mm thick interlocking paver blocks side of houses in Sector 30-B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

Inquiry report regarding widening of V-6 Roads, Sector 8-A, B & C, Chandigarh and construction of Hall at Ground Floor, Lobby and Mini Hall in First Floor & renovation of existing Community Centre Building, Sector 8, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.7 before the House for consideration.

“The House deferred the matter for next meeting.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Status of defaulters of water supply of Government Departments.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.8 before the House for consideration.

The Commissioner said that this is for information of the House. He further said that Chandigarh Administration has also waved off the electricity bills for the public toilets transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh. He further said that an amount of Rs.5.50 crore is outstanding as water charges towards the Government Departments, out of this amount Rs.2.36 crore is pending towards the offices already transferred to the Corporation. An amount of Rs.2.20 crore is due against U.T. Horticulture Department, Rs.42 lac against Command Hospital and Rs.15 lac against CISF. The matter need to be taken up with the U.T., Horticulture Department for payment of water charges due against them.

The Mayor said that she will also take up the matter with the officers in the next meeting of the Coordination Committee.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

RCE for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on berms near Govt. House No.401 – 468, Sector 33-A, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.2 before the House for consideration.

“The House considered and unanimously resolved that the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.40.01 lac for P/F 60mm thick paver blocks on berms near Govt. House No.401 –468, Sector 33-A, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Draft Bye-laws for running of various Community Centres under the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh 2010.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.2 before the House for consideration.

Brig. K.S.Chandpuri (Retd.) said that since the condition of Community Centres is miserable, it was decided by the House earlier that the Community Centres be managed by the local residents by constituting a Governing Body. Accordingly the Community Centres were surveyed and the Committee submitted its recommendations but after going through the present draft bye-laws, it has

been observed that the Governing Body has become politically motivated body as only two public representatives have been proposed to be included in the Governing Body. Earlier the Governing Body was to be represented by eleven members from the public but as per draft rules only two members are to be included from the public. He was of the view that the public should be given maximum representation in the Governing Body otherwise the present rules will invite lot of criticism from the public. He further said that if the House is going to pass the proposed bye-laws without going through them then he would not be part of this Committee. He further said that he has done a lot of exercise to frame the new bye-laws for Community Centres but going through these bye-laws it has been observed that the same bye-laws have been placed before the House for approval. He therefore, request to defer this matter for the next meeting.

Most of the nominated members objected on the draft bye-laws. However, the elected members were in favour of passing the draft bye-laws.

“After discussion the House deferred the matter for the next meeting.”

Smt. Sarita Devi said that there is a labour welfare building in Bapu Dham Colony in which 10 families are living since last 15-20 years but they have not been provided separate water connections whereas electricity connections have been provided to them separately. There is a single water connection and nobody want to deposit the water charges bill. She requested that separate water connection should be provided to them.

The Mayor said that earlier it was decided that individual water and electricity connection be provided in case area Councillors certify their ownership. Water Bye-laws have already been approved by the Corporation and sent to the Chandigarh Administration for approval. After approval and notification of amended water Bye-laws action could be taken accordingly. She further said that she will also take up this matter in the next meeting of Coordination Committee.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Report of Study Tour to Gangtok-Kolkata.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.3 before the House for consideration.

A copy of the report on the Study Tour of Councillors to Gangtok-Kolkata, prepared by the Councillors, was circulated to all the members of the House for information.

The Mayor said that the report of the Study Tour of first group of Councillors has been prepared and submitted for the information of the House and the report of second Study Tour is under preparation. She said that the recommendations of the Councillors should be implemented so far as possible.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Secretary,
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**Mayor,
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