

CITY OF HARTFORD

550 MAIN STREET HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103

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Daniel M. Carey, City Clerk

June 11, 2007

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Hartford continues to experience the highest number of births to teens in the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services, operates the Adolescent Parenting and Development Program that serves young mothers in the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The Adolescent Parenting and Development Program provides practical assistance and social support for Hartford's young mothers. Family involvement is encouraged and a case management approach is used to assess the needs of each participant; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers develop relationships with participants while developing a plan of action to help the young parents complete high school, gain employment or training options, participate in parenting/child development seminars, and gain access to support groups; and

WHEREAS, The Social Workers develop a plan unique to each participant by identifying and making referrals to necessary services, and monitoring each individual plan; and

WHEREAS, The Social Workers provide education on child development, positive parenting skills, nutrition, delaying subsequent pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford intends to enter into contract with the Family Life Education, Inc. for the provision of the Adolescent Parenting and Development Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor or his designee to enter into contract with Family Life Education, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned lease agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Office of Youth Services serves as the City's Youth Service Bureau; and

WHEREAS, As the Youth Service Bureau, the Office of Youth Services is responsible for coordination of programs in areas of juvenile justice, crisis intervention, child welfare; mental health; positive youth development; recreational/cultural programs and research on youth issues; development of resources for new and expanded programs; community involvement; and advocacy on behalf of youth ages 0-18 and their families; and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Education has notified the City that it has funds available for Hartford's Youth Service Bureau activities in the amount of \$160,575.00 for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; and

WHEREAS, The City must provide a match for these funds that includes both cash and in-kind services which has been budgeted in previous years and is proposed within the City Manager's proposed budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor or his designee to apply for and receive these funds for operation of the Youth Service Bureau for Fiscal Year 2006/2007 and to enter into contract with the Hispanic Health Council, Aspira of Connecticut, Connecticut Coalition of Mutual Assistance Associations, Catholic Charities/Hartford Street Youth Project, and Blue Hills Civic Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned lease agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Hartford continues to experience the highest number of grandparents who are raising their grandchildren in the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services operates the Grandparents Program that serves grandparents who are raising their grandchildren in the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The Grandparents Program provides practical assistance and social support for Hartford's grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. Family involvement is encouraged and a case management approach is used to assess the needs of each participant; and

WHEREAS, Family Support Workers develop relationships with participants while developing a plan of action for each individual to assist them in understanding guardianship options and giving them access to supplemental support that may be available to guardians; and

WHEREAS, The Family Support Worker develops a plan unique to each participant by identifying needs, making referrals to necessary services, and monitoring each individual plan; and

WHEREAS, The Family Support Worker conducts community outreach and designs and implements educational workshops for participants; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford intends to enter into contract with the Family Life Education, Inc. in the amount of \$33,462 for the provision of the Grandparents Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor or his designee to enter into contract with Family Life Education, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned lease agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Hartford has a proud 19th Century heritage of monument building with more than 50 major works in public places; and

WHEREAS, More than 400 U.S. municipalities have public art programs including New Britain, New Haven, and Stamford; and

WHEREAS, Hartford currently lacks a public art program based on a City ordinance specifying dedicated funding; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council has for the past several years allocated funds for public art through the Greater Hartford Arts Council; and

WHEREAS, Such funds can and have been used to leverage much larger sums of public art funds; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Council has successfully purchased or commissioned a number of artworks for public places; and

WHEREAS, Public art serves as focal points along thoroughfares, in roundabouts, in parks, plazas, and other public spaces; and

WHEREAS, Site specific public art builds neighborhood identify and pride as a result of community input into the choice of subject matter, and

WHEREAS, Site specific public art reflects the heritage and culture of neighborhoods, its residents and institutions; and

WHEREAS, Public art promotes increased tourism and retail activity through enhancement of public places; and

WHEREAS, Public art provides employment for artists both from inside and outside our Region; and

WHEREAS, Public art can enhance City Government buildings inside and out, transit projects, libraries, schools, parks and hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Nationally it has been proven wise to expend the public arts funds – 8.5 percent for art purchases or commissions, 10 percent for administration, 5 percent for ongoing maintenance; and

WHEREAS, The Arts Council can be encouraged to seek private funds to supplement public funds for any and all projects; and public and private funds can be pooled for the purposes of the program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City Council adopt a Public Art Ordinance within the next three months; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Public Art Advisory Committee and a professional artist selection committee should be formed to guide and implement an Arts Council administered program whose funding will be no less than \$50,000 a year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That subsequent to the passage of a public art ordinance, a master plan for implementation will be fashioned by the Arts Council and presented for City approval.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, A group of citizens, working through the Greater Hartford Arts Council, desire a monument to honor Hartford's War Veterans; and

WHEREAS, The optimum location for such a monument would be the land at the corner of Broad Street and Farmington Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The monument would consist of a granite pillar which could easily be relocated if the site is needed for another use; and

WHEREAS, Funds for this tribute will be privately raised and controlled by the Greater Hartford Arts Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants permission for the described site to be used as a War Veterans Memorial (see attached) with the understanding that the land one day might be used for other purposes and that funds for such monument would be privately raised.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the Following SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Pratt Street Association is hosting patio dining on Pratt Street beginning Thursday, June 21, 2007 and ending Saturday, October 27, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The business members of the association are: Vaughan's Public House, Sweet Jane's Rock & Roll Eatery, the Russell, Jo Jo's Coffee Shop, and Terra Mia Ristorante; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of this event is to provide an expanded outdoor dining experience; and

WHEREAS, The members will be serving food and alcohol; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That prior to the event the sponsor is required to obtain the proper Insurance Certificate, which holds the City harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This Certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the permittee is also required where applicable to apply and receive a liquor permit from the Connecticut Liquor Control Commission. A copy of this approved liquor permit must be presented to the Risk Management Department prior to the event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the street will remain open; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no parking will be allowed on the street from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and the Hartford Police Department will ticket and tow accordingly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Department of Public Works will provide adequate "no parking" signs; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all pedestrian activity (dining and walking) will be restricted to the sidewalks; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this proposal will be piloted for one month; and

RESOLVED, That Court of Common Council grants permission for the Pratt Street Association to serve alcohol at this event.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council for the City of Hartford ("City") has authorized the Mayor to enter into a certain Master Lease Agreement with GE Capital Public Finance, Inc. ("GE Capital") in order to purchase vehicles and other equipment at below market financing rates (the "Master Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Acquisitions of vehicles and equipment under the Master Agreement are accomplished by separate leases as addenda to the Master Agreement, which addenda identify the vehicles or equipment to be procured, and the terms of repayment; and

WHEREAS, The City desires to acquire the equipment and vehicles which are listed below:

GE Capital Schedule #015-Fire Department Equipment: SUVs 4X4 - Five (5) @ \$30,000.00 each; and

WHEREAS, The City's ten-year central equipment plan has allocated funds to acquire this equipment to enhance and improve the fleet operations of the City; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant and under the terms of the Master Agreement, the City now desires to enter into a lease with GE Capital in order to purchase the Equipment, for the principal amount of up to \$182,252.40 and to finance such purchase pursuant to a (5) year payment schedule, payable in twenty (20) equal quarterly installments of up to \$10,381.74 each, at an interest rate not to exceed 5.04 percent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That, the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into and execute a lease agreement with GE Capital or its affiliate for the purposes set forth above, upon and subject to the above terms and conditions and such other terms and conditions that the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned lease agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such lease agreement and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council for the City of Hartford ("City") has authorized the Mayor to enter into a certain Master Lease Agreement with GE Capital Public Finance, Inc. ("GE Capital") in order to purchase vehicles and other equipment at below market financing rates (the "Master Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Acquisitions of vehicles and equipment under the Master Agreement are accomplished by separate leases as addenda to the Master Agreement, which addenda identify the vehicles or equipment to be procured, and the terms of repayment; and

WHEREAS, The City desires to acquire the equipment and vehicles, which are listed below, and is hereby authorized by the City Council

GE Schedule #016-Public Works Department Equipment:

Heavy Dump Truck

(2) \$120,000.00 each

Packer

(1) \$160,000.00 each; and

WHEREAS, The City's ten year central equipment plan has allocated funds to acquire this equipment to enhance and improve the fleet operations of the City; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant and under the terms of the Master Agreement, the City now desires to enter into a lease with GE Capital in order to purchase the Equipment, for the principal amount of up to \$400,000.00 and to finance such purchase pursuant to a (5) year payment schedule, payable in twenty (20) equal

quarterly installments of up to \$22,785.41 each, at an interest rate not to exceed 5.04 percent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That, the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into and execute a lease agreement with GE Capital or its affiliate for the purposes set forth above, upon and subject to the above terms and conditions and such other terms and conditions that the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned lease agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such lease agreement and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Hartford Parking Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Authority") has confirmed from reviewing the Colliers Report that the City of Hartford (hereinafter referred to as "City") is the tenth (10th) costliest City to park in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is concerned about high parking rates in the City and received numerous complaints, and citizens have specifically noted that rates for short stays at parking garages and at on-street parking meters were onerous; and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of the Authority it is in the best interest of the City's economic development and tourism plans to reduce the current parking rates; and

WHEREAS, The Authority, on due consideration, proposes to reduce parking rates at the MAT Garage, at the Church Street Garage and at on-street parking meters, all in accordance with the attached Schedule A, all subject to approval by the Court of Common Council (hereinafter referred to as "City"); and

WHEREAS, The Authority proposes to adjust upward the overtime parking fines at on-street meters and to permit the reduction of fines on prompt payment in accordance with the attached Schedule B; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of the Hartford Parking Authority, upon due consideration, proposes that the City adopt the proposed parking rate and fine changes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the reduction in parking rates at the MAT Garage and Church Street Garage become effective July 1, 2007 and the on-street meter rates be reduced within thirty (30) days thereafter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Authority, acting by its Executive Director, is authorized to adjust the rates and fines, subject to approval by the Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution, having been approved by the Board of the Authority, be submitted promptly to the Council for its approval.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

RESOLVED, The Mayor, hereby requests that the Court of Common Council enter into executive session to discuss <u>Jose Febo v. Donald Camp et al.</u>

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Full Gospel Foundation will be holding community outreach events in the area of the Albany Avenue Police Substation on Saturday, August 25, 2007 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Wednesday, October 31, 2007 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, The sponsor is requesting use of the 10'x 10' stage, and permission to serve food and beverages; and

WHEREAS, The sponsor is requesting a 50 percent fee waiver for City costs associated with the event; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provided in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the City's costs and fees associated with an event; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That prior to the event the sponsor is required to obtain the proper Insurance Certificate, which holds the City harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This Certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants a 50 percent fee waiver to the Full Gospel Foundation to hold their event.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Iglesia de Dios Pentecostes, Inc. will be a hosting a 'Shout Out for Mom's in the Community' in Bushnell Park on Saturday, June 30, 2007, between 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, The sponsor is requesting permission to serve food and beverages; and

WHEREAS, The sponsor is requesting a 50 percent fee waiver for City costs associated with the event; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provided in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the City's costs and fees associated with an event; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That prior to the event the sponsor is required to obtain the proper Insurance Certificate, which holds the City harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This Certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants a 50 percent fee waiver to the Iglesia de Dios Pentecostes, Inc. to hold their event.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Ordinance amending Chapter 28 of the Hartford Municipal Code was passed by the Court of Common Council at a regular meeting held May 23, 2005 and approved by the Mayor, May 24, 2005; and

WHEREAS, The aforementioned ordinance became effective on December 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The aforementioned ordinance provides for the establishment of a Board of Preservation Appeals; and

WHEREAS, The following individuals have been recommended to serve on the Board of Preservation Appeals:

Rhonda Leonard-Woods, of 246 Lyme Street, 06112 Edwin Vargas, of 141 Douglas Street, 06114 Kenneth Johnson, of 7 Woodside Circle, 06105; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council confirms the nominations of these individuals to serve on the Board of Preservation Appeals for a term of one year.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) is a tax credit program of the State Department of Revenue Services (DRS) overseen by municipalities on a yearly basis. The Division of Grants Management has been the assigned municipal liaison for this program since 1995; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 228a of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S., 12-631 - 12-638) provides a tax credit for businesses which sponsor approved community programs such as energy conservation, employment, training, childcare, crime prevention, construction/rehabilitation of dwelling units for low/moderate-income families; and

WHEREAS, On March 19, 2007, an NAA information package including proposal forms was mailed to over two hundred community organizations in Hartford with a response date of May 18, 2007. Accordingly, the Division of Grants Management received fifty-one NAA proposals and all met the basic criteria of the NAA; and

WHEREAS, In the 2006, NAA Hartford community based programs received a total of \$1,184,697 in support from area businesses, and businesses that sponsored Hartford programs received a total of \$710,818 in tax credits; and

WHEREAS, In every NAA program year the State requires that the governing body of each municipality vote to approve its proposed NAA eligible community programs; and

WHEREAS, The City must submit to the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services its list of eligible programs and proposals by July 2, 2007; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to prepare a list of programs eligible under the 2007 Neighborhood Assistance Act to be submitted with the program proposals to the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services by July 2, 2007; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the list submitted to the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services shall include all eligible programs named in the attached table and shall be in the format prescribed by Public Act 89-328; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council designates the Mayor as the City's authorized representative and further authorizes him to take all steps necessary to implement the NAA Program.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed, as amended.

WHEREAS, Community concerns have been raised to the Hartford City Council about the financial hardship and/or taxes have increased by 25 percent that some Hartford taxpayers experience as the result of the semi-annual property tax payments; and

WHEREAS, A process and procedures do exist for such taxpayers to appeal to the Tax Collector for a more individualized tax payment schedule, given evidence of financial hardship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City develop and/or otherwise update the process and procedures for individuals who need to appeal their tax payment schedule, in the event of financial hardship - in order for those individuals to perhaps schedule payments on a quarterly or other payment schedule that would ameliorate their hardship status; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the update of such processes, procedures and public notice take place within the next 30 days; our in reach applies for our Tax Collector Staff to be trained with a process for notification to the public as part of this year's tax notification procedures when the tax bills go out.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, June 11, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council approves the parking meter rate reduction for on street parking from \$1.50 per hour to \$1.00 as recommended in the attached resolution from the Hartford Parking Authority dated May 10, 2007.

Attest: