

AGENDA
MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
OCTOBER 25, 2010

MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Her Honor Council President rJo Winch, at 7:05 pm

Present: Councilpersons, Veronica Airey-Wilson, Alexander Aponte, James M. Boucher, Luis E. Cotto, Larry Deutsch, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Matthew D. Ritter, Calixto Torres and rJo Winch

Also Present: Deputy Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto.

The meeting was opened with a Prayer by Father Diaz from St. Peters Church

Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Items considered on the consent calendar: See Paragraphs*

COMMUNICATIONS

MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Authorization to amend and restate the current lease between the City of Hartford and HDR Operating Company, LLC and HDR Office Holdings SPE, LLC for Former G. Fox Building at 960 Main Street.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to amend and restate the current lease between the City of Hartford and HDR Operating Company, LLC and HDR Office Holdings SPE, LLC, owner of the former G. Fox Building at 960 Main Street. The lease is for space on the 8th and 9th floors as well as a portion of the basement, space which is occupied and utilized by the Hartford Board of Education.

The current lease expires on August 31, 2011. The proposed terms of the amended and restated lease include a four year extension from September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2015, a monthly rent of \$81,002 for the 8th and 9th floors, a monthly rent of \$6,501 for the basement (which rents pertain to the last lease year of the current term as well as the renewal term, subject to escalations for operating expenses and taxes after the base year of 2010), and an option to renew for an additional five year term. The landlord will provide janitorial services, a \$100,000 tenant improvement allowance, and a \$50,000 rent credit for the last two months of the renewal term, and will pay for heating, cooling and electricity for the 8th and 9th floors.

The above terms of the amended and restated lease are below the current average market range (\$20.49 per square foot)

for similar space in downtown Hartford and less than current rent terms under the current lease. These new terms represent a savings of approximately \$20,000 per year plus the rent credit and tenant improvement allowance, which results in a total annual savings of approximately \$60,000.00.

The Board of Education approved the lease amendment at their meeting of October 19, 2010 and I recommend your approval of the attached resolution

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Whereas, The Hartford Board of Education (“HBOE”) is currently occupying and using, for its central offices and business operations, certain space on the 8th and 9th floors (54,762 sq. ft.) as well as a portion of the basement (11,145 sq. ft.) of the former G. Fox Building (the “Building”) at 960 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut (collectively, the “Premises”) pursuant to a lease by and between Hartford Downtown Revival, LLC (“Revival”), as landlord, and the City of Hartford (“City”), as tenant, dated July 1, 2000, as amended (collectively, the “Lease”); and

Whereas, Revival’s interest in the Lease was subsequently assigned to HDR Operating Company, LLC and HDR Office Holdings SPE, LLC (collectively, the “Landlord”); and

Whereas, The current term of the Lease will expire on August 31, 2011, and the parties are required by the Lease to establish a fair market rent for the last lease year of the current term (September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011); and

Whereas, Landlord and City have negotiated an extension to the term of the Lease and a fair market rent for such last year of the current term upon the following terms and conditions:

- **Extension of Term**: 4 years (commencing September 1, 2011 and expiring August 31, 2015) (the “Renewal Term”)
- **Premises**: Total square footage of 54,762 (8th and 9th floors) plus 11,145 (portion of basement)
- **Base Rent**:
 - 8th & 9th Floors-9/1/10-8/31/15: annual rent @ \$17.75/sq.ft. full service gross (\$972,025.50 payable in equal monthly installments of \$81,002.13) and
 - Basement-9/1/10-8/31/15: annual rent @ \$7.00/sq.ft. (\$78,015.00 payable in equal monthly installments of \$6,501.25)
- **Tenant Improvement Allowance**: \$100,000.00 available after 120 days after full execution of lease and funded upon City requisition for improvements to the Premises
- **Rent Credit**: Landlord provides \$50,000.00 per month credit against each of the last two (2) months of the Renewal Term
- **Option To Renew**: City has right to extend the term for an additional five (5) year term at 95% of the then fair market rent, subject to City providing Landlord with twelve (12) months’ written notice prior to the end of the then current term
- **Utilities**: Landlord shall provide heating, cooling and electricity for 8th and 9th floors. City shall pay for basement electric and utilities. City shall pay for any supplemental cooling, which shall be separately metered
- **Janitorial**: Landlord shall provide and pay for City’s routine janitorial services for the 8th and 9th floors to commence upon a date mutually agreeable following the full execution of the lease
- **Operating Expenses & Real Estate Taxes**: Tenant shall pay its pro-rata share of increases in operating expenses and real estate taxes over the base year of 2010. City shall not incur any escalation charges prior to September 1, 2011; and

Whereas, Because the Lease has been amended four (4) times to date and many provisions of the Lease pertain to the

occupancy and re-occupancy of various spaces in the Building by HBOE to accommodate the renovations then being made by Landlord more than a decade ago, Landlord and City desire to amend and restate the Lease to include the above terms and conditions, eliminate any irrelevant provisions, and consolidate the pertinent terms of the amendments into one comprehensive and comprehensible document;

Whereas, At its October 19, 2010 regular meeting, the HBOE authorized the City to enter into and execute an amended and restated lease of the Premises upon the above terms and conditions, with such authorization being retroactive to September 1, 2010; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to execute an amended and restated lease of the Premises with Landlord 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 shall deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City and HBOE; 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 and HBOE in order to effect 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 amended and restate lease 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 Mayor executing such amended and restated lease and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel; and be it further

Resolved, That all foregoing approvals and authorizations shall be effective as of September 1, 2010.

Referred to the Operations, Management and Budget Committee

Minority Leader Cotto requested that his name be added on the resolution.

MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Authorization to sell City-owned vacant lots at 18 and 20 Liberty Street to Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

Attached please find a resolution for your consideration which will authorize the sale of 18 and 20 Liberty Street, in the City of Hartford, to Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) for \$20,000.

The property consists of two vacant lots – one substandard lot and one buildable lot – which will be combined and then divided into two buildable lots. Habitat will construct two single family homes which will be sold to families whose incomes are 80% or less of area median income. Habitat will utilize \$120,000 in City Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds to finance the construction. This project will help to stabilize the Clay Arsenal neighborhood and create new homeownership

On August 23, 2010, Council authorized me to execute a purchase and sale agreement in order for the City to meet the commitment deadline for NSP funds established by the State of Connecticut. I am now requesting Council approval for the formal sale of 18 & 20 Liberty Street to Habitat for Humanity.

I respectfully recommend adoption of the attached resolution.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Whereas, The City of Hartford intends to sell 18 and 20 Liberty Street in the city of Hartford (together the “Properties”) to Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity (the “Buyer”), and

Whereas, The City of Hartford agrees to provide quitclaim deeds to the Buyer for the Properties in exchange for a payment of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) as stipulated in the Purchase and Sale Agreement previously authorized and executed by the City and the Buyer, and

Whereas, The City will convey title to the Properties free of any encumbrances other than those expressly stipulated in the Purchase Agreement; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to execute the closing and transfer title to the Properties as described in the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the Buyer, or an affiliated entity established for such purpose, on an “AS IS” basis; and be it further

Resolved, That should Buyer fail to produce proof of funds prior to closing, the Purchase Agreement and any other rights conferred by this resolution shall expire automatically with no further action of the Council necessary; and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into such other documents required by the Purchase Agreement, and to take any other actions (including, but not limited to, executing such other documents and entering into such other agreements) as are reasonably necessary to effectuate the sale of the Properties in accordance with the Purchase Agreement, whenever appropriate; and be it further

Resolved, That all of the aforesaid documents shall be subject to approval as to form and legality by the Corporation Counsel prior to their execution by the Mayor; and be it further

Resolved, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or claim any benefit by reason of, this resolution in the event the City of Hartford fails to sell the Property to the Buyer.

Hearing was assigned on the resolution for Monday, November 15, 2010, at 7:00 P.M. and referred to the Housing Committee

***MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Authorization the Mayor to accept the FY 2010 COPS Technology Earmark Grant from the United States Department of Justice for Community Oriented Policing Services Office for four public safety initiatives.**

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

Attached, for your consideration, is a resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the FY 2010 COPS Technology Earmark Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services Office. The term of the grant is from December 16, 2010 through December 15, 2012. There are no local match requirements to accept this grant. Grant funds will be used to purchase equipment and technology for four public safety initiatives as described below.

- 1) **Code Blue.** Code Blue is an interactive voice communication system that provides an immediate, direct two-way voice link to the City's dispatch center. The device enables a citizen to report an active crime, fire, medical emergency or any other situation requiring a first responder. Eighteen (18) devices will be purchased and placed at twelve (12) fire houses, four (4) police substations, 50 Jennings Road, and at the perimeter of the new public safety complex. Cost: \$44,240
- 2) **911 Workstations.** Twelve (12) Next Generation 911 Workstations will be purchased and installed in the dispatch center of the new Public Safety Complex. The new workstations will meet the requirements established by the State of Connecticut Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications and will support text messaging, video, digital photos and other new forms of mainstream communications. Cost: \$333,800
- 3) **Antenna Equipment.** A monopole antenna, which supports two-way mobile radio communications among police personnel, will be purchased for the new Public Safety Complex. (COPS funds may only be used for purchase; installation must be funded through other sources.) Cost: \$30,800
- 4) **Street Safety Cameras.** Forty (40) cameras will be purchased and installed on utility poles throughout the central business district. The cameras will be monitored 24 hours a day. The system will utilize a motion activated recorder to capture the video output of each camera. The video will be archived to assist in investigations and be presented as evidence during criminal trials. Signs will be posted in areas monitored by the street cameras to deter crime, increase the perception of public safety and alert the public for privacy reasons. Cost: \$591,160

I urge favorable action on the resolution. Staff and I are available to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Whereas, The United States Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office, awards grants to municipalities for technology enhancements, and

Whereas, The City of Hartford has been awarded a FY2010 COPS Technology Earmark Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000, and

Whereas, A portion of the funding from this grant will be used to replace outdated emergency call boxes with state of the art technology, known as Code Blue, which will be installed at 18 locations throughout the city, and

Whereas, The grant will also be used to purchase and install 40 street cameras throughout the central business district to improve citizen safety and deter crime, and

Whereas, Grant funds will be utilized to purchase 12 next generation 911 workstations for the new Public Safety Complex as well as a monopole antenna to support two-way mobile radio communications among police personnel, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the FY 2010 COPS Technology Earmark Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Community Policing Services Office, and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor is 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 receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, 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 agreement or other documents, or to take any of the 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.

The resolution was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

MAYOR SEGARRA, de Request to enter into Executive Session to discuss the potential resolution of Myrna Capasso-Rubio v. City of Hartford.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

I respectfully request that the Council enter into Executive Session during the Council meeting of October 25, 2010. A brief session is necessary in order to discuss the potential resolution of the Myrna Capasso-Rubio v. City of Hartford action.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Action postponed until November 8, 2010

MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Request to enter into Executive Session to discuss the potential resolution of Josue Cintrón v. City of Hartford.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

I respectfully request that the Council enter into Executive Session during its meeting of Monday, October 25, 2010. A brief session is necessary in order to discuss the potential resolution of the Josue Cintrón v. City of Hartford action.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Resolved, Pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter, the Court of Common Council hereby approves settlement of Josue Cintron V. City of Hartford, for Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$75,000.00) payable in one (1) lump sum payment.

Received

MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Request to enter into Executive Session to discuss the potential resolution of Vittorio Pettino v. City of Hartford.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

I respectfully request that the Council enter into Executive Session during its meeting of Monday, October 25, 2010. A brief session is necessary to discuss the resolution of Vittorio Pettino v. City of Hartford.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Resolved, Pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter, the Court of Common Council hereby approves settlement of Vittorio Pettino v. City of Hartford, for Thirty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$35,000.00) payable in one (1) lump sum payment.

Received

MAYOR SEGARRA, de Request to enter into Executive Session to discuss the potential resolution of Richard Legrier v. City of Hartford.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

I would like to request the Council to enter into Executive Session during the Council meeting on Monday, October 25, 2010. A brief session is necessary in order to discuss the potential resolution of the Richard Legrier v. City of Hartford action.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Action postponed until November 8, 2010.

MAYOR SEGARRA, with accompanying resolution de Appointment to the Commission on Aging of Katherine A. Calloway, Lewis Myrick, Sr. and Ruby J. Reese.

Communication was received from Mayor Segarra, with accompanying resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of three individuals to the Commission on Aging: Katherine A. Calloway, Lewis Myrick, Sr., and Ruby J. Reese.

Katherine Calloway is a home health aide who helps individuals age safely in their own homes. She is a member of the Advisory Board of Hartford's South End Senior Wellness Center. Lewis Myrick is a long-time Hartford resident, is retired, and is an advocate for issues facing the elderly. Ruby Reese is a registered nurse with 40 years experience and is currently works in St. Francis Hospital's Geriatric Medical/Surgical Unit and Stroke Center. She volunteers in a variety of outreach and service capacities in the community.

The skills and experience of these individuals will enhance the Commission on Aging and I urge your confirmation of the appointments.

Respectfully submitted, Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Whereas, The Mayor has appointed Kathy A. Calloway, Lewis Myrick, Sr., and Ruby J. Reese to the Hartford Commission on Aging, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the appointments of these individuals to the Commission on Aging:

- Kathy A. Calloway(D) of 27 Mapleton Street, Hartford, CT 06114
For the term expiring January 1, 2013 (replacing Marylyn Hardrick)
- Lewis Myrick, Sr. (D) of 168 Brookfield Street, Hartford, CT 06106
For the term expiring January 1, 2012 (replacing Clorinda Soldevila)
- Ruby J. Reese (U) of 24 Monroe Street, Apt. 3, Hartford, CT 06114
For the term expiring January 1, 2012 (replacing Tammy A. Mohler-Avery)

Action postponed until November 8, 2010

OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE de Implementation of Fiscal Task Force Recommendations.

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 14, 2010, at 5:30 pm to discuss the following item:

Implementation of Fiscal Task Force Recommendation.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, Deputy Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto and other City staff.

After some discussion a motion was made and seconded to accept the Fiscal Task Force Recommendations and begin implementing some of the recommendations, i.e. Shared Services. Motion was made and seconded to send the item to the full Council for approval

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

Received

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE de Discussion on several items regarding the Health and Human Services Department

Communication was received from the Health and Human Services Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President and Council Members:

The Health and Human Services Committee held its meeting Monday October 4, 2010 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following committee members were present at the meeting: Health and Human Services committee Chair, Councilman Larry Deutsch, committee member Councilman Jim Boucher. Also present were, Assistant Director of Health and Human Services Raul Pino, Corporation Counsel Lori Mizerak, Mark Dibella, Community Activist Hyacinth Yennie, and Blanca Truex

Health and Human discussed several items regarding the Health and Human Services Department:

RECREATION – The recreation division is teaming up with Catholic Family Services and the Police Athletic League at the Parker Memorial Center to develop a family center whereby families will have better access to information that may be helpful. To date there has been no major incidents at any of the sites. Councilman Boucher will check on who is working with the recreation at the school sites, while Mr. Dibella will reach out to Julio Concepcion or Mike Zalensky of BID. Councilman Deutsch asked if any volunteers will assist with the recreation centers and inquired about extended hours at the centers. The larger center is currently opened until 9 pm. Councilman Boucher has been attending the Green Task Force and will address issues and recommendations from that group and possibly invite the co chairs to attend the HHS committee meeting.

HEALTH SERVICES – There has been only one case of West Nile virus so far and one case of meningitis identified but it is under control with the assistance from the state. The Health Department is currently looking at tuberculosis as an issue, one case in particular, a family with a new born. The department was recently awarded the CDC grants for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative. The grant will concentrate its work on youth between the ages of 13-19. The grant is for \$900,000 for the first year to create an evidence-based program for both males and females with focus on education serving about 800 youths. Councilman Boucher requested a copy of proposal and announcement (rfp).

Assistant Director Pino spoke about developing a community advisory group for grants like the Ryan White part 2 and Lead Abatement. Councilman Deutsch asked how it compares to past programs. Assistant Director Pino says it focuses on 4 section of high lead. Also, the department of Health and Human Services is working with the health equity alliance for remediation and prevention. They will also target new immigrants and screening of new citizens.

SENIOR SERVICES – The rent rebate is ending with over five hundred thousand above last year. The money is from the state. Councilman Boucher asked what made the difference. Mr. Pino says time limit from June to October. It has been advertised by radio, television and at the senior centers.

HOMELESSNESS – There has been an agreement reached with Immaculate Conception Housing for the “no freeze” overflow but a new place will still be needed for next year. Councilman Deutsch asked about looking for a new site and to make it a regular part of city budget, so far there is no news. Councilman Boucher discussed the letter that will go out to Hartford neighbors to get some compensation for the shelters. Councilman Deutsch suggested another letter to the Department of Corrections. Ms.Yennie suggested a timeline be established regarding the letters. Councilman Deutsch briefly discussed Marshall House and the need to a “no freeze” for women and families.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Deutsch, Chair

Received

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE de Discussion on CDC Grant for Teen Pregnancy Initiative.

Communication was received from the Health and Human Services Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President and Council Members:

Special Health and Human Services Committee Thursday, October 14, 2010 @ 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

The following committee members were present at the meeting: Health and Human Services committee Chair, Councilman Larry Deutsch, committee member Councilman Jim Boucher. Also present were, Director of Health and Human Services Department Carlos Rivera, Assistant Director of Health and Human Services Raul Pino, Regina Roundtree of Hartford Action Plan, Flora Parisky of HAP, David Polk of HAP, Patrick Nickalotti of St Joseph College, Krista Hybruek-Santiago of CRT, Thomas Morris of Charter Oak Health, Alice Pritchard of CWEALF, Executive Director of Charter Oak Health Center Alfreda Turner, Janelle Bryan of Charter Oak Health Center and Cheizda Rodriguez of HOYS

The Committee's discussion: CDC grant for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative

Councilman Deutsch opened the meeting with a greeting to those in attendance and then asked for a summary of the meeting that HHS department and Mr. Panagore had regarding the grant. Director Rivera offered the summary. He believes that the meeting was a productive one, which also included Office of Youth Services' Director Enid Rey. He goes on to explain that the award is for \$900,000 for the first year and the resets of the grant is contingent upon the results of the first year. There must be a core group developed that will work on the budget that needs to be submitted before the deadline. The city has a positive relationship with Hartford Action Plan that will receive some funding along with other partners.

The grant became effective by September 30 however the department of Health and Human Services needs to work out some "weaknesses" as pointed out by the Federal funders that must be completed by October 30. Councilman Boucher reminded the group that with each resolution to receive funds, the grant or proposal should also be submitted as well. Director Rivera will submit a copy of the application.

Director Rivera also spoke about the collaboration of the partners and how they were excited about this venture. The core group members working on the budget are from: Health and Human Services department representative, Hartford Action Plan and Hartford Office of Youth Services. The partners spoke about the collaboration and how it is a much needed program.

In summary, the CDC grant for the Teen Pregnancy Initiative to be received by the department of HHS and partners, has a good outcome. There is an understanding that the city complies with a timeline to have weaknesses addressed. Also, the core group will remain with consistency going forward to city council to receive resolution.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Deutsch, Chairperson

Received

QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE and EDUCATION COMMITTEE de Discussion on School Safety Issues.

Communication was received from the Education Committee and Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President Winch and Councilpersons:

Your Education Committee and Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee met on Monday, October 18, 2010 to consider the following item:

School Safety Issues

Present were Chairpersons James Boucher and Calixto Torres and Committee Members Kenneth Kennedy and Jo Winch and Councilman Larry Deutsch. Also present were city staff from the Hartford Police Department, Office of Youth Services, and the Board of Education and residents and stakeholders.

After considerable discussion about school safety issues relative to recent disturbances in downtown Hartford, city staff leadership from the Hartford Police Department, the Board of Education, and the Office of Youth Services agreed to further review and update strategies to assure adequate student and public safety downtown in the before- and after-school hours when students are congregating for school transportation transfers. Chief Roberts agreed to take responsibility for coordinating meetings and discussions with the Hartford Board of Education and Office of Youth Services, with a report back to a special Education and Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee on Monday, November 15th at 5:00 p.m.

No action was needed on this item.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Boucher, Chairperson Education Committee
Calixto Torres, Chairperson Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee

Received

REPORTS:

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying substitute resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to the South Hartford Community Alliance.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, with a substitute resolution, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

The South Hartford Community allocation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

The Committee amended the resolution and requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to

send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention. Substitute resolution is attached.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

Whereas, The South Hartford Community Alliance is a 501c (3) organization and serve a couple hundred residents in the South End of Hartford; and

Whereas, The South Hartford Community Alliance runs a safety van program that runs up and down Maple, Wethersfield, Franklin and New Britain Avenues to report any illegal activity on the streets; and

Whereas, The South Hartford Community Alliance have successfully worked with other South Hartford Neighborhood groups on blighted properties and also have started to work with the Knox Foundation to clean up graffiti in the South End of Hartford, now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council does hereby designate up to \$3,000.00 from the Fiscal Year 2010 from the City contributions toward public programs to The South Hartford Community Alliance; and be it further

Resolved, That The South Hartford Community Alliance will report outcomes of these funds to the Court of Common Council at the end of the 2010 and The South Hartford Community Alliance must make a more aggressive effort to fundraise for the next year so that there will not be a reoccurrence of this shortfall for 2011.

The substitute resolution was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to The Hartford Botanical Garden Planning Committee.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

The Hartford Botanical Garden Planning Committee de allocation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

Marilyn Rossetti in her presentation to the Committee gave a brief history of the organization and describes how the funds will assist in the efforts to sustain Elizabeth Colt's park gift, celebrate the Colt history, and provide attractions that recognize Hartford's horticultural history.

The committee requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full for approval. Motion was seconded and passed with two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced September 27, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

YEAS: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to HartBeat Ensemble.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

HartBeat Ensemble de allocation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

After the presentation committee members spoke favorable of the organization and the work they do in the City for Hartford residents. Committee members also requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Chairman Kennedy asked if it was the organizations desire to have the item postponed. The Director responded no. The Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

Whereas, HartBeat Ensemble was established to create original, professional theater about issues that are relevant to the people of Greater Hartford and beyond; and

Whereas, Through main stage plays, street performances and education programs, HartBeat Ensemble brings audiences together beyond the barriers of gender, class and race; and

Whereas, HartBeat Ensemble programs such as the Youth Play Institute, Open Air performances, Plays in Parks and partnerships with public schools and community-based organizations have inspired individuals and communities toward meaningful social change; and

Whereas, Programs such as HartBeat Ensemble need local support to sustain its programs; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council hereby allocates up to \$8,000 from the 2010-2011 Cultural and Civic Account to HartBeat Ensemble for the provision of its programs.

The resolution was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to Blue Hills Civic Association.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Blue Hills Civic Association de allocation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

Lee Hunt, Executive Director of the Blue Hills Civic Association, (BHCA) made his presentation to the committee they requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. The Motion was not seconded. The Chairman made a motion to allocate \$20,000 to the Blue Hills Civic Association pending a budget submission from BHCA. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced October 12, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to the Midget Football and Cheerleading Program.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

The Hartford Hurricanes Midget Football and Cheerleading Program de designation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

After the presentation was made the committee requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced September 27, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to Hartford Knights After School Youth Program**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Hartford Knights After School Youth Program de allocation of funds from fiscal year 2010 from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

After the Director Bernard Thomas made his presentation the committee requested a budget from the organization. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced September 13, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to Opus Inc. after School and Quilting Program**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Opus Inc. After School and Quilting Program de allocation of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

The Committee requested a budget from the organizations. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced September 27, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to Hartford 2000 (H2K).**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President and City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Civic and Cultural Affairs Account de allocation of funds fro (H2K).

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

The committee had previously requested a break down of their budget. The budget was provided and discussed. After the discussion the committee recommended allocating \$21,290 of the \$60,000 originally requested. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. The Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed three yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced on September 13, 2010 was passed as amended on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Programs Account to Various City Organizations.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Various City organizations de allocations of funds from the City Contributions towards Public Programs Account to.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

The Committee requested a budget from all the organizations requesting funds. Committee member Larry Deutsch made a motion to postpone the item. Motion was not seconded. Committee member Winch made a motion it was seconded to send the item to the full for approval. Motion passed two yeas and one abstention.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced on September 27, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution de Adding Farmington Bank to the City of Hartford list of Qualified Public Depositories.**

Communication was received from the Operations, Management and Budget Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
October 25, 2010

Dear Council President & City Council Members:

The Operations and Management & Budget Committee met on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following item:

Mayor Segarra with accompanying resolution de adding Farmington Bank to the City of Hartford list of Qualified Public depositories.

Present at the meeting were Chairman, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Committee Members Larry Deutsch, Jim Boucher and rJo Winch, Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Chief Operating Officer David Panagore, and other City staff.

After a brief discussion the committee recommended passage of the resolution. Committee member Winch made a motion to send the item to the full Council for approval. Motion was seconded and passed three yeas.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth H. Kennedy, Jr., Chairperson

The resolution introduced on October 12, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

FOR ACTION:

Report, with accompanying resolution de Violations Report of any State authorized entities which are willfully or unintentionally violate or facilitate the violation of the Living Wage.

Communication was received from the Labor and Workforce Development Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
September 27, 2010

Dear Council Members:

The Labor and Workforce Development Committee Meeting held its regular scheduled meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following committee members were present at the meeting: Council President – Chair, rJo Winch, Minority Leader, Luis E. Cotto. Also present were: Ivan Ramos, Corporation Counsel, CSEA – Alicia Colt, Rose Matthew, Maggie Russell, Dale Timmons, Sonia Viera, Hartford Democratic Town Committee – Victor Luna, Hartford Guides, Austin Jordan, Office of Human Relations – Eloy Toppin, Registrar of Voters – Urania Petit, Working Families – Jon Green

Item for discussion: Living wage violations de report of any State authorized entities which are willfully or unintentionally violate or facilitate the violation.

On August 21, 2006 the City of Hartford and Logisticare entered into a contract for the transportation of special education students within Hartford. On July 9, 2007, the parties entered into an addendum to that contract to provide for transportation services for out-of-district students attending Hartford host magnet schools.

On December 14, 2009, CREC and Logisticare entered into a letter of agreement whereby CREC agreed to take over the portion of the contract between Logisticare and the City of Hartford for transportation of out-of-district magnet students until such time as a new contract was negotiated between CREC and Logisticare. Effective December 23, 2009, the City of Hartford and Logisticare entered into an amendment to its existing contract whereby Addendum No. 1 to the contract (which addressed the transportation of out-of-district magnet students) was cancelled. Effective January 4, 2010, CREC and Logisticare entered into a separate contract for transportation of the out-of-district students to Hartford host magnet schools.

The City of Hartford continues to have a contract with Logisticare for the transportation of special education students. It no longer has a contract with Logisticare for the transportation of out-of-district magnet school students to Hartford host magnet schools.

The committee voted 2 to 0 in favor of postponing action until Mr. Ramos and Mr. Eloy Toppin report back to committee chair with clarification of information requested, 0 opposed, 0 abstains, 1 absent from voting.

Respectfully Submitted, rJo Winch, Chair Labor

Action postponed until November 8, 2010

Ordinance amending Chapter 13, Article III, of Code de Novelty Lighters.

Proposed ordinance amending the Municipal Code concerning Chapter 13, Article III, of Code de Novelty Lighters, introduced September 13, 2010, and on which a hearing was held September 20, 2010, and action postponed on October 12, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 25, 2010 was again considered.

Action postponed until November 8, 2010

Ordinance amending Code de Adding new section concerning prohibiting political contributions from City contractors to candidates for Municipal office in the City of Hartford.

Proposed amending the Municipal Code concerning adding new section concerning prohibiting political contributions from City contractors to candidates for Municipal office in the City of Hartford, introduced June 28, 2010, and on which a hearing was held July 19, 2010, and action postponed on August 9, 2010, action postponed on that date until August 23, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 13, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 27, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 12, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 25, 2010 was again considered.

Action postponed until November 8, 2010.

Report, with accompanying resolution de Request for information for review and approval of the recommended budget of the Board of Education.

Report was received from the Chairperson of the Education Committee, as follows:

Honorable rJo Winch, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council, Hartford, Conn.
June 14, 2010

Dear Council President and Council Members:

The Health and Human Services Committee held a Special meeting Thursday September 9, 2010 @ 5p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following committee members were present at the meeting: Health and Human Services committee Chair, Councilman Larry Deutsch, committee member, Councilman Jim Boucher. Also present were, Director of Health and Human Services Carlos Rivera, Corporation Counsel Lori Mizerak, and Hartford BID Michael Zalesky

Referred item: Health and Human Services Food Service Late Fee Amnesty

This item was originally submitted April 26, 2010 by former Mayor Eddie Perez regarding certain food servicers and restaurants requesting a 50% amnesty on their late fees. Councilman Deutsch inquired about possibly reducing the forgiveness amount but it is set by ordinance and would have to be changed by council.

The Health and Human Services committee is discharging this item for consideration by the Council.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Deutsch, Chairperson

Action postponed until November 8, 2010

Ordinance amending Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-1 of Code de Composition of Department; duties.

Proposed ordinance amending Chapter 26, Article I, Section 26-1 of the Municipal Code concerning Composition of department; duties, introduced June 14, 2010, on which a hearing was held June 21, 2010, and action postponed on July 12, on that date action postponed until August 23, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 13, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 27, 2010, action postponed on that date until, October 12, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 25, 2010 was again considered.

Action postponed until November 8, 2010.

Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article IV, Sections 2-87, and Section 2-92 of Code de Department of Public Works-Organization and Department of Human Services-Organization.

Proposed amending the Municipal Code concerning Chapter 2, Article IV, Sections 2-87, and Section 2-92 of Code de Department of Public Works-Organization and Department of Human Services-Organization, introduced June 14, 2010, and on which a hearing was held June 21, 2010, and action postponed on July 12, 2010 until August 9, 2010, action postponed on that date until August 23, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 13, 2010, action postponed on that date until September 27, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 12, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 25, 2010 was again considered.

Action postponed until November 8, 2010.

Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 9, Sections 2-279, and Section 2-282 of Code de Commission on Disability Issues.

Proposed Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 9, Sections 2-279, and Section 2-282 of Code de Commission on Disability Issues, introduced August 23, 2010, and on which a hearing was held September 20, 2010, and action postponed on September 27, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 12, 2010, action postponed on that date until October 25, 2010 was again considered.

The ordinance was referred to the Health and Human Services Committee

Resolution de Appointment of Council member to the Internal Audit Commission.

Resolution by Councilperson Kennedy concerning Council's appointment to the Internal Audit Commission introduced September 27, 2010, was again considered.

Action postponed until November 8, 2010.

***Resolution de Appointment of Marilyn Rossetti and Angel Arce to the Hartford Housing Authority.**

Resolution by Mayor Segarra concerning appointments to the Hartford Housing Authority introduced on October 12, 2010 was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

***Ordinance amending Chapter 2A, Article II, Section 2A-25 of Code de NBU-GG provisions. (Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program).**

Proposed ordinance amending Chapter 2A, Article II, Section 2A-25 of Code de NBU-GG provisions. (Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program), introduced on September 27, 2010, and on which a hearing was held October 18, 2010, was again considered.

Majority Leader Boucher made a motion to discharge the Operations, Management and Budget Committee and the Labor and Workforce Committee from reporting and was accepted without objection.

The proposed ordinance amendment was adopted on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

Additional tax-exception for City properties de Recommendation of a one year moratorium on.

Resolution – Council President Winch

Whereas, Hartford's tax-exempt property has surpassed 50 percent of all taxable property, and this continues to increase on a year-to-year basis; and

Whereas, The City's grand list has decreased in the previous year(s); and

Whereas, Projected property tax burdens are likely to show significant tax increases to residential, condominiums, and other tax classifications in the upcoming year(s) after the next tax revaluation – further highlighting the need for maximizing tax-eligible property for grand list growth to offset this anticipated tax burden increase; and

Whereas, The State of Connecticut and other tax exempt entities do not pay fully through the Payment In-Lieu-of Taxes Program, which negatively affects the City's budget to the extent of the loss of millions of dollars; and

Whereas, The City Council recognizes the value and importance of not – for – profit and human services organizations; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council recommends to the City’s Planning and Zoning Commission and the City’s Economic Development Department the establishment of a one-year moratorium by the City on granting permission for additional tax-exemption for City property, while a review of zoning restrictions, policies and procedures and monitoring of such tax-exempt approvals occurs; and be it further

Resolved, That Human Services projects already in the planning and development phase as of the passage of this resolution be grandfathered and/or exceptions be made to this moratorium provided that they have already received site approval, permits or other special permission by the City prior to the passing of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That while the moratorium is in effect, if exceptions are needed for new projects involving tax-exempt or other favorable tax consideration status – that all requests for exceptions the project must meet the following criteria: (1) demonstrate enhanced value to the grand list; and (2) meet a human service need deemed ‘critical’; and be it further

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council recommends that the City’s Economic Development Department be involved in further review of key ordinances, and zoning policy and procedures – that might need updating to assure that the availability of taxable-developable property be maintained to provide the tax revenue needed to sustain key quality City public, educational and Health and Human Services for all Hartford citizens.

Referred to the Planning and Economic Development Committee

Councilman Boucher and Councilman Torres requested their names be added to the resolution

Enforcement of Quality of Life Ordinances de Request that the Mayor provide an assessment of what additional staff is needed in the Department of Public Works for.

Resolution – Majority Leader Boucher, Council President Winch, Councilman Torres, Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Aponte, Councilman Ritter.

Whereas, The City of Hartford has many well written ordinances that address the enforcement of quality of life issues (i.e. illegal dumping, trash presentation and news racks); and associated fees and fines; and

Whereas, Staffing capacity in the Department of Public Works has limited enforcement of these ordinances and

Whereas, Enforcement would increase the level of expectations in the City Of Hartford and support the efforts of those in compliance; and therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council request that the Mayor provide an assessment of what additional city staff capacity in the Department of Public Works would be needed to provide for this enforcement of quality of life ordinances.

Referred to the Public works, Parks and Environment Committee

Councilwoman Airey-Wilson requested her name be added to the resolution

Increase of foreclosed properties de Request that the Mayor provide an update to the Council’s Housing Committee on.

Resolution – Majority Leader Boucher, Council President Winch, Councilman Torres, Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Aponte, Councilman Ritter.

Whereas, The Marks Group LLC, Alphabet Group LLC, and Surrey Group LLC portfolios of rental properties are in foreclosure; and

Whereas, This contributing to the increase of foreclosed properties might lead to greater disinvestment and distressed

neighborhoods; and

Whereas, These holdings account for approximately 3,000 units or 15 % of the rental stock in the city; and therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council request that the Mayor provide an update to the Council Housing Committee on its plans to effectively address this issue.

Referred to the Housing Committee

Councilwoman Airey-Wilson requested her name be added to the resolution

Shared services de Request that the Court of Common Council work with the Mayor and the COO to develop strategies and options for consideration of.

Resolution – Majority Leader Boucher, Council President Winch, Councilman Torres, Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Aponte, Councilman Ritter.

Whereas, As part of the Budget Fiscal Analysis Task Force’s recommendations, a set of strategies called upon the City of Hartford and Board of Education to consider collaboration and partnership on possible consolidation of shared services, including buildings and grounds, human resources, purchasing, libraries, and other comparable services; and

Whereas, These strategies had significant fiscal considerations, possibly saving the city substantial funds; and therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council work with the Mayor and Chief Operating Officer, and the Board of Education to develop strategies and options for consideration for shared services as depicted by the Budget Fiscal Analysis Task Force.

The resolution was passed on the following roll-call vote:

Yeas: Councilpersons, Airey-Wilson, Aponte, Boucher, Cotto, Deutsch, Kennedy, Ritter, Torres and Winch. 9

Councilman Cotto, Councilman Deutsch and Councilwoman Airey-Wilson requested their names be added to the resolution

Anti-Blight Ordinance de Request that the Mayor provide an assessment of how much additional staff is needed to provide inventory of abandoned properties to address the.

Resolution – Majority Leader Boucher, Council President Winch, Councilman Torres, Councilman Kennedy, Councilman Aponte, Councilman Ritter.

Whereas, Residents and neighborhood groups are increasingly asking the city to consider a more expeditious response to abandoned, deteriorated properties , with special attention given the extra enforcement powers associated with the Anti-Blight Ordinance; and

Whereas, The city has successfully utilized the Anti-Blight ordinance on a number of properties in recent months;

Whereas, Staffing capacity has limited full implementation of the Anti-Blight ordinance; and therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council request that the Mayor provide an assessment of what additional city staff capacity (i.e. housing, L&I departments) would be needed to provide a report to the Council’s Housing Committee including (a) the present inventory of abandoned properties in the city (including address, property owner & address, and status of taxes owed and (b) status of which of these properties will be addressed through the Anti-Blight ordinance;

Referred to the Housing Committee

Councilwoman Airey-Wilson requested her name be added to the resolution

WFSB TV and Hartford Stage de Request for street closure on portions of Main Street and Church Street and waiver of half of the fees for the Joy for the Kids Holiday Concert sponsored by.

Resolution – Councilman Cotto

Whereas, WFSB-TV is sponsoring the “Joy for the Kids” Holiday Concert in conjunction with Hartford Stage and the Channel 3 Kids’ Camp on December 6, 2010 from 7:30pm to 10:30pm; and

Whereas, The event sponsor is requesting a street closure on portions of Main Street and Church Street for the purpose of pulling a simulated sleigh; and

Whereas, The event sponsor is requesting a 50% fee waiver; and

Whereas, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provides 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; and

Whereas, 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; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council’s waiver, if any, of fees shall be consistent with the recommendation of the Public Works, Parks, and Environment Committee.

Referred to the Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee

City contracts for health administrative services de Request that the City administration vigorously and promptly pursue new alternatives for.

Resolution – Councilman Deutsch

Whereas, Current contracts for administrative and health insurance benefit services with Anthem / WellPoint / BlueCross/BlueShield have been unsuccessful in limiting premiums, charges, and fees for the City of Hartford, its employees, retirees, and government; and

Whereas, Current negotiations with major area health providers such as Hartford Hospital and individual medical practitioners have been unsuccessful in providing reimbursement rates satisfactory for their adequate operation to meet health services needs for our Hartford regional-area population; and

Whereas, A recent report from the Human Resources Department (Health Benefits section) has supported searching for better comprehensive health service quality and lower priced alternatives in addition to Anthem / WellPoint / BlueCross/BlueShield to offer our City’s employees and retirees; therefore be it

Resolved, That the City administration vigorously and promptly pursue new alternatives for City contracts for health administrative services, insurance, and benefits considering quality, price and employment for Hartford employees, retirees, and government.

Referred to the Health and Human Services Committee

Councilman Cotto requested his name be added to the resolution

City contracts for banking services de Request that the City administration vigorously and promptly pursue new alternatives for.

Resolution – Councilman Deutsch

Whereas, Foreclosures suffered by Hartford homeowners, tenants, and landlords on homes and apartment buildings were recently suspended due to massive irregularities, inaccuracies, and unfairness to mortgage holders, and

Whereas, Certain major lenders including Bank of America have resumed imposing such questionable foreclosures upon Hartford area residents, and

Whereas, The City of Hartford utilizes Bank of America for many financial and administrative functions, and

Whereas, Other financial institutions, especially Connecticut-based banks, may be able to provide such services with consideration of local employment as well as prices for services, therefore be it

Resolved, That the City administration vigorously and promptly pursue new alternatives for City contracts for banking services, quality, price and employment for Hartford residents and government.

Referred to the Operations, Management and Budget Committee

Connecticut Puerto Rican Forum de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Program Account to.

Resolution – Councilman Torres, Councilman Aponte

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council allocate twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25, 000.000) to the Connecticut Puerto Rican Forum from the City Contribution toward Public Programs Account.

Referred to the Operations, Management and Budget Committee

San Juan Center Sports de Allocation of funds from the City's Contributions towards Public Program Account to.

Resolution – Councilman Torres, Councilman Aponte

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council allocate ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000) to the San Juan Center Sports for the City Contribution toward Public Programs Account.

Referred to the Operations, Management and Budget Committee

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting recessed at 9:13 pm

The Executive Session commenced at 7:42 P.M.

Present - Councilpersons Ritter, Boucher, Torres, Aponte and Winch

Also present - Deputy Corporation Counsel Carl Nasto, Assistant Corporation Counsel Lori Mizerak and Assistant

Corporation Counsel Jonathan Beamon

Note - Councilman Cotto entered the Executive Session at 7:51 P.M.

A motion was made to adopt the resolutions on the agenda and the motion was seconded pertaining to the following:

- Vittorio Pettino v. City of Hartford
- Josue Cintron v. City of Hartford.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 8:05 P.M.

The present Councilpersons were polled for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was then adjourned at 8:09 P.M.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano,
City Clerk.