

CITY OF HARTFORD

OFFICE OF THE TOWN AND CITY CLERK

550 MAIN STREET

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103

JOHN V. BAZZANO TOWN & CITY CLERK REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

October 25, 2017

Honorable Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

Dear Mayor Bronin:

Please find attached the following resolutions and ordinances that were passed at a regular meeting of the Court of Common Council on October 23, 2017. I have duly certified these documents and respectfully send them to you for your review.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City applied to the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) and was allocated \$3.7 million in funding through the Urban Surface Transportation Program (STP) to improve the intersection of Albany Avenue and Main, Ely, and High Streets; and

WHEREAS, The grant is 80% federal monies and 20% State funds and is managed by the CT Department of Transportation (CTDOT) which has established the allocation through its Master Design Agreement with the City and has designated the project as State Project 63-TMPS; and

WHEREAS, Following a process of public review, comment, and modification of the concept plan, the Court of Common Council adopted a resolution of support for the project on May 8, 2017; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to accept a grant of \$3,700,000 from the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all manner of 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 Connecticut Department of Transportation 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 agreements 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 agreements and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

Attest:

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Connecticut State Statutes provide that the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford (HACH) shall be governed by five Commissioners who serve five-year staggered terms; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Michael Abreu as a Commissioner of the Housing Authority; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the following individual as Commissioner of the Hartford Housing Authority of the City of Hartford:

Michael Abreu (I) 42 Allendale Road, Hartford, 06106 Appointed to a term to expire on May 31, 2022 (Filling a vacancy)

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The need for quality affordable housing for mixed-income citizens throughout the City of Hartford's neighborhoods is critical for the city to be economically vibrant and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, In the past decade the City of Hartford has made significant investments to support the preservation and new production of quality affordable housing throughout our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, There currently lacks an inclusive comprehensive housing strategy that is transparent and goal oriented; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The City Council desires to work with the administration on developing a city-wide inclusive comprehensive housing strategy by December 31, 2017 that supports the preservation and new production of affordable housing units that at a minimum incorporates the following elements:

- An analysis of existing housing stock that includes but not limited to, owner occupied, market rate, affordable housing and subsidized housing mapped across the city
- A comprehensive report on the city's investments in the preservation and new production of housing units within the last 10 years
- An analysis of the number of new production units the city has capacity for

- An analysis of current programs designed to increase the homeownership rate and preserve existing housing stock in the City of Hartford i.e. GAP Financing, House Hartford, Hartford Preservation Loan Fund etc.
- An analysis and recommendation on policies designed to increase the homeownership rate over the next 10 years
- A strategy that incorporates the city's Anti-Blight Ordinance improvements and encourages private sector investment into the soon to be established Land Bank
- A strategy that further expands and encourages private investments in housing rehabilitation
- A strategy that incorporates school communities in order to create vibrant, diverse neighborhoods throughout the city
- An analysis that determines measurable targets for increasing the homeownership rate as well as the productions of new units and preservation efforts and the level of investment the city would need to make to achieve those identified targets over the next 10 years.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford applied via the Capitol Region Council of Governments for a Federal Highway Administration Transportation Alternatives Grant of \$1,237,200 for the construction of a northward extension to the Hartford Riverwalk along the Connecticut River; and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation, the agent of the Federal Highway Administration in the State of Connecticut, awarded the City \$2,529,494 - a greater amount than requested; and

WHEREAS, This grant will allow for the extension of the Riverwalk northward from the Boathouse to just south of Meadow Brook and the City Departments of Development Services and Public Works will work closely with Riverfront Recapture, Inc. in the design and construction of the Riverwalk extension; and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation will issue a Project Authorization Letter to the City to allow design work to proceed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the grant of \$2,529,494 funds from the Federal Highway Administration Transportation Alternatives Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes; 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 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, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, During the adoption of the FY2018 General Fund Budget, the Council and the Mayor agreed to place \$308,612 in the Sundry: Non-Operating Department Expenditures Account for Election Expenses, with the understanding that such funds would be transferred to the Registrars of Voters Office, at their request, for expenditures related to election activities; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford will conduct a Board of Education Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 and the Registrars of Voters Office has quantified the expenses for that election to be \$101,162; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to transfer \$101,162 from the Sundry: Non-Operating Department Expenditures Account to the Registrars of Voters Office for the Board of Education Election on November 7, 2017.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination based on race, color, and national origin in programs, services, and activities that receive federal financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) requires recipients of Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration funds to develop and maintain a Title VI Program; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford receives FTA funds through the Greater Hartford Transit District (GHTD) and FHWA funds through the Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) and CTDOT; and

WHEREAS, The City has developed the "Title VI Nondiscrimination Plan: Procedures and Guidelines" to comply with Federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Plan is centered around the City's commitment to fairness and equity in all of its services, programs, and activities; and

WHEREAS, The Plan outlines the ways in which the Administration will assure that its communication with its residents, its methods of addressing complaints, and the ways in which it provides services to the public all support that commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby approves the City's "Title VI Non-Discrimination Plan: Procedures and Guidelines", dated September 25, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Plan shall be kept on file by the Town and City Clerk and made accessible to the public; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Plan shall be posted on the City of Hartford's web site.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, October 23, 2017, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford must explore all possible cost saving approaches; and

WHEREAS, Reducing the costs of essential city services is a priority for the city of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The city of Hartford's current contractual agreement with the Municipal Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority(MIRA) does not align with the goal of reducing the costs of essential services; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford pays an equal amount as other Connecticut Municipalities and additional depositors for the disposal of its solid waste, although the site is within the city limits and thereby has deleterious effects to Hartford; and

WHEREAS, A Request for Proposals process led by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and MIRA solicited proposals for the development of a new waste system that will assist the state in the disposal of waste by 2024 has not resulted in an economically feasible alternative to the Hartford disposal facility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council opposes the appointment of a new MIRA operator; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the creation and implementation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force to develop options other than the current trash disposal arrangement with MIRA, which will result in lower disposal costs and the recovery by the City of land occupied by MIRA in the South Meadows for critical future economic development; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the task force be representative of members and stakeholders of the City who have knowledge and experience in this area; and be it further

RESOLVED, The task force must provide recommendations within 90 days.

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WHEREAS, On March 27, 2017 a substitute resolution was passed requesting quarterly reports from the Office of the Chief Operating Officer (COO) that should include but not limited to financial recommendations and projections from the Chief Operating Officer (COO) and these reports should be submitted to the respective Council Committees but not limited to all Council Members; and

WHEREAS, Non- Financial Resolution DEMS #4 was passed On May 17, 2017, addressing city department updates on significant budgetary and policy issues that are needed by The City Council to provide ongoing budgetary and policy action and requested that the Mayor or his designee develop a schedule with City Council Leadership to present updates on the quarterly basis by written and oral report encompassing all departments; and

WHEREAS, Non-Financial Resolution DEMS # 6 was also passed On May 17, 2017, addressing the selling of tax liens that has been controversial due in large part to the collection efforts undertaken by the purchasers of such tax liens, in particular the unwillingness of such purchasers to enter into payment arrangements with deserving owners and requested that the Corporation Counsel's office research the efficiency of hiring an attorney specifically to collect on its tax liens and seek attorney's fees and court costs when such matters go to judgment with the goal of reviewing all tax lien foreclosure actions of Hartford tax liens filed in the years 2013 and 2014, and cumulating the total attorney's fees awarded therein; and

WHEREAS, The administration has failed to provide such updates and or reports as requested by the Court of Common Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council has deemed these actions necessary to make assertive decisions for the wellbeing and future of This City; and be it further

RESOLVED, The Council ask the administration to provide the requested information before the November 13, 2017 Court of Common Council meeting.

Attest:

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