

AGENDA
MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
April 10, 2017

ACTION TAKEN

COMMUNICATIONS

1. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning the appointment of two members to the Energy Improvement District Board.
2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning the appointment of one member to the Commission on Disability Issues.
3. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to apply and accept an Injury Prevention Grant from the Connecticut Department of Public Health, for comprehensive drug overdose prevention activities.
4. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the assignment of up to \$4.0 million in certain delinquent real estate tax liens.
5. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the transferring of \$26,840 from Sundry Non-Operating Department Expenditures to the Registrars of Voters associated with a Special Election.
6. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to accept a grant from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Disney Parks Build Community Project.
7. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into an agreement with the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority (MIRA) to provide for the disposal of the City's solid waste and recycling stream.
8. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to apply and accept the Fiscal year 2017 Distracted Driving Enforcement Grant from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Office.

FOR ACTION

9. Ordinance amending a CIP ordinance adopted May 26, 2016 making an appropriation of 200,000 for removal, treatment, and/or replacement of Ash Trees subject to infestation by the Emerald Ash Borer and located in Public Rights of Way and in proximity to playgrounds, parking lots, pathways, roadways and playing fields in City Parks and authorizing the use of \$200,000 from the Parks Trust Fund to meet said appropriation.
10. Substitute Ordinance creating a Registry of Owners of Residential Rental Property Amending Chapter 18, Section 150 of the Hartford Municipal Code.

RESOLUTIONS

11. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE II) (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILWOMAN JENNINGS) (COUNCILWOMAN WINCH) (COUNCILMAN SANCHEZ) Resolution requesting that a Charter Revision Commission be appointed pursuant to the provisions of Sections 7-187 through 7-194 of the Connecticut State Statutes for the purpose of undertaking a thorough review of the current Charter and all aspects of the structure of City Government.
12. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE II) Resolution appointing members to the North Hartford Promise Zone Task Force.
13. (COUNCILWOMAN JENNINGS) (COUNCILWOMAN WINCH) Resolution supporting a ½ of 1% payroll tax on employees working in Connecticut, who are employed in a town that they do not live in to cover expenses incurred by municipalities for street maintenance, road repair, fire and police protection, environmental pollution, and other costs incurred by commuters.
14. (COUNCILWOMAN JENNINGS) Resolution in opposition to H.B. 7050, including the State takeover of our local property taxes, and the continued, intentional act of ignoring the fact that the state of Connecticut owes the City of Hartford millions of dollars in back taxes and urges our Hartford Delegation and other State elected officials to oppose H.B. 7050, and any attempt by the State of Connecticut, to take over the finances, taxes and resources of the City of Hartford.
15. (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) (COUNCILWOMAN WINCH) (COUNCIL PRESIDENT

CLARKE II) (COUNCILMAN SANCHEZ) Resolution proposing a fee schedule (TBD) for all recreational programs that are offered by the Division of Recreation in the City of Hartford for non-Hartford consumers, effective the summer of 2017, for maintenance of activities and facilities within the division and that the Parker Memorial Center and Arroyo-Pope Park Recreational Center, be maintained at the recent schedules just prior to April, 2017.

16. (COUNCILMAN SANCHEZ) (COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE II) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) (COUNCILWOMAN WINCH) Resolution supporting the revitalization and updating the Hartford Film, Video, and Media Commission.
17. (COUNCILWOMAN THAMES) Resolution supporting the establishment of a Hartford Land Bank program to fully engage with the residents across the city on the policies and practices and to develop strategic partnerships with existing non-profits, community based organizations and lenders, in order to leverage the resources available to deal with the most distressed land i Hartford and encourage the establish of a registry for local small scale housing developers in Hartford that ensures access to property dispositions of the Land Bank.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano
City Clerk



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

ITEM # 1 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: EID Appointments

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Kathleen J. Kowalyshyn and Sebastian M. Lombardi to the Energy Improvement District Board.

On August 8, 2016, the Court of Common Council adopted an ordinance establishing the entire city of Hartford as an Energy Improvement District (EID) and creating an EID Board. The Board consists of nine voting members and five nonvoting members. The voting members include three Hartford electors and three representatives of Hartford businesses, all appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council. Voting members also include the Director of Development Services, the Director of Public Works, and the Superintendent of Schools. Nonvoting members include the Mayor, Council President, City Architect, City Engineer, and a representative of the local electric utility.

I have previously appointed and the Council has confirmed two electors, two representatives of Hartford businesses, and the representative of the public utility. I am pleased to now appoint Ms. Kowalyshyn and Mr. Lombardi to the remaining elector and business representative seats. Ms. Kowalyshyn holds both a J.D. from UConn School of Law and a Master's Degree in the Social Sciences from the University of Chicago and is a practicing attorney in her own general practice law firm. She is active in the Hartford community, currently serving as a Commissioner of the MDC, a Director of the Hartford Community Loan Fund, a member of the Democratic Town Committee and a mediator in the Families in Transition program of the Children's Law Center. Mr. Lombardi holds a J.D. from UConn School of Law and a Master's Degree from Johns Hopkins University. He is an associate in the Energy and Utility Law Department of Day Pitney LLP. He is the co-chair of Power Markets for the Northeast Energy & Commerce Association and has served as speaker, presenter, and emcee for numerous NECA conferences and seminars. He has written several articles for Intelligent Utility and POWER Magazine.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Energy Improvement District (EID) will be managed by the EID Board,
and

WHEREAS, The EID Board consists of nine voting members, six of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor (three Hartford electors and three representatives of Hartford businesses) and confirmed by Council, and five non-voting members, one of whom shall be a representative of the local public utility and shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Hartford elector, Kathleen J. Kowalyshen, and a representative of a Hartford business, Sebastian M. Lombardi to the EID Board, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following individuals are hereby confirmed as members of the Energy Improvement District Board:

Kathleen J. Kowalyshyn (D) 28 Forster Street, Hartford 06106
Hartford Elector
For a term to expire in 2020

Sebastian M. Lombardi (D) 131 Richmond Lane, Hartford 06117
Hartford Business
For a term to expire in 2020



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ITEM # 2 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Appointment to Commission on Disability Issues

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Cheryl L. Zeiner to the Commission on Disability Issues.

The Commission's purpose is to identify the needs of Hartford residents with disabilities and make recommendations to the Mayor and Court of Common Council on how to address those needs. The goal of the Commission is to assure that persons with disabilities are able to function as full citizens within the community.

Ms. Zeiner earned a Master's Degree in Special Education from Southern Connecticut State University. She was employed for more than 30 years as a vocational counselor at the CT Bureau of Rehabilitation Services where she worked with adolescents and adults with mental and physical challenges become independent through employment and independent living. Since her retirement, Ms. Zeiner has continued assisting others through her involvement with Hands on Hartford and the Salvation Army. She is a member of the North Central Regional Mental Health Board as well as her NRZ, the Coalition to Strengthen the Sheldon/Charter Oak Neighborhood. She is a former member of the Commission on Disability Issues and the current Commission members support her return.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Commission on Disability Issues is charged with assuring that people living with disabilities have the opportunity to function as full and active citizens in the Hartford community, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Cheryl L. Zeiner to the Commission, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the appointment of the following individual to the Commission on Disability Issues:

Cheryl L. Zeiner (D), 80 Wethersfield Avenue Apt. 2, Hartford 06114
Appointed to a term expiring March 1, 2020
Filling a vacancy



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ITEM # 3 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Injury Prevention Grant

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to apply for and accept an Injury Prevention grant of \$90,000 for the period from January 01, 2017 through August 31, 2019, from the Connecticut Department of Public Health, for comprehensive drug overdose prevention activities.

Drug overdose deaths have increased by 33 percent in the past five years across the country, with some states, including Connecticut, seeing jumps of more than 100 percent. Drug overdose deaths have increased every year for the past four years in Connecticut, from 357 in 2012 to 729 in 2015, the last period for which data is available.

The Hartford Department of Health and Human Services will utilize this grant funding to implement practices and strategies to help prevent prescription drug and opioid overdoses and deaths, to increase awareness of this public health epidemic in the community, and to help to reduce the stigma associated with substance use disorder.

Respectfully submitted,

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City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, Drug overdose deaths have increased by 33 percent in the past five years across the country, with some states, including Connecticut, seeing jumps of more than 100 percent, and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) provides Injury Prevention funding to local health departments for conducting research and gathering data on health conditions among residents of the municipality and the information compiled through this research is used to implement comprehensive approaches to addressing such health conditions, and

WHEREAS, The City has been notified of the availability of Injury Prevention funding of \$90,000 for the 20-month period from January 01, 2017 through August 30, 2019, to focus on evidence-based practices and strategies to help prevent prescription drug and opioid overdose morbidity and mortality in the community, increase awareness of this public health epidemic, and help to reduce the stigma associated with substance use disorder, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City is authorized to accept \$90,000 in Injury Prevention Grant funds from the Connecticut Department of Public Health to be used for comprehensive drug overdose prevention and planning activities for the period January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019, 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 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, and be it further

RESOLVED, That City of Hartford hereby affirms as its policy to support the Non-Discrimination Agreements and Warranties required under Connecticut General Statute § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142, as those statutes may be amended from time to time.



Luke A. Bronin
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ITEM # 4 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Assignment of Tax Liens

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the assignment of up to \$4.0 million in certain delinquent real estate tax liens, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-195h.

As you are aware, the current year Adopted Budget includes \$4.0 million in revenue from the assignment of delinquent tax liens. Over the last several years the City has succeeded in reducing the annual budgeted amount for delinquent tax lien assignments from \$7.0 million in FY2013, to \$6.75 million in FY2014, to \$6.0 million in FY2015, to \$5.0 million in FY2016, to \$4.0 million included in the Adopted Budget for the current fiscal year 2017. Although the attached resolution allows the assignment of up to \$4.0 million in liens, the Tax Collector has informed me that collections of current year levies are at or ahead of projects, which may allow for the sale of some lesser amount of delinquent tax liens.

As important as continuing to reduce our reliance on annual lien sales to fill budget shortfalls, has been the Administration's continuing effort to increase notice to taxpayers and to afford taxpayers the opportunity to arrange a reasonable payment plan and avoid the lien assignment altogether.

In order to facilitate the improved noticing to taxpayers and to assure that revenue is received before the end of the fiscal year, I respectfully ask that the Council take action on the attached resolution as soon as is practical.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, the adopted budget for fiscal year 2017 includes projected revenues arising from the assignment of delinquent real property tax liens in the amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000), and

WHEREAS, approval of the assignment, the execution of an agreement, and the closing of the assignment transaction must be completed before the end of this fiscal year, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the assignment of delinquent real estate tax liens, in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$4,000,000, as set forth in the budget for fiscal year 2017, is authorized, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the material terms of the assignment agreement shall include 1) a requirement that the taxpayer be sent three notices by the assignee prior to the commencement of any foreclosure action, 2) a restriction on the further assignment of any tax lien without the City's prior consent, and 3) a prohibition on the commencement of any foreclosure proceedings within twelve months of the assignment, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector shall use reasonable efforts to exclude liens attributable to owner-occupied residential properties and liens with a balance of less than \$1,000, and shall further exclude liens where only the second installment of the most recent Grand List is delinquent, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute a delinquent tax lien assignment agreement with the successful bidder (assignee) for the purpose set forth above, upon and subject to such other terms and conditions that the Mayor, the Tax Collector and Corporation Counsel shall deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City, 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 not execute the aforementioned assignment 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 Mayor executing such assignment agreement and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.



Luke A. Bronin
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ITEM # 5 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
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RE: Fund Transfer for Special Election

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration please find a resolution transferring \$26,840 from Sundry: Non-Operating Department Expenditures to the Registrars of Voters (ROV) Office in Fiscal Year 2017.

These funds will be used for the expenses associated with the Special Election to be held on April 25, 2017 to fill the vacant seat in the 7th Assembly District. During the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017 General Fund Budget, monies for election expenses were placed in the Sundry Elections account with the intention that funds would be transferred to the ROV Office as costs are quantified. The Registrars of Voters have submitted an estimate (attached) of \$26,840 in expected expenses for the Special Election. I, therefore, recommend that funds be transferred at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, During the adoption of the FY2017 Budget, the Council and the Mayor agreed to place funding in the Sundry Election Account with the understanding that such funds would be transferred to the Registrars of Voters Office, at their request, for expenses related to election activities, and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford will conduct a Special Election on April 25, 2017 to fill the vacant seat in the 7th Assembly District, and

WHEREAS, The Registrars of Voter's Office has quantified the expenses required for the Special Election to be \$26,840, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to transfer \$26,840 from the Sundry Account: Non-Operating Department Expenditures to the Registrars of Voters Office for expenses associated with the Special Election of April 25, 2017.

ROV Staffing requirements/Expenses FY 2017
Special Election 7th District State Rep. April 25, 2017

7th District Special Election - Estimate of Expenses

	Pay Rate	#	Total Pay
Moderator	\$ 350	5	\$ 1,750
Assistant Registrar	\$ 225	5	\$ 1,125
Official Checker	\$ 200	5	\$ 1,000
Ballot Clerk	\$ 185	5	\$ 925
Tabulator Tender	\$ 170	5	\$ 850
Absentee Ballot Counters (Election Day)	\$ 250	1	\$ 250
Spare Moderator	\$ 425	1	\$ 425
Head Moderator Absentee Ballot	\$ 30	8	\$ 240
Deputy Moderator Absentee Ballot	\$ 20	8	\$ 160
Head Moderator	\$ 30	50 Hrs	\$ 1,500
Deputy Moderator	\$ 20	50 Hrs	\$ 1,000
Election Supervisor Set up Crew	\$ 475	6 Wks	\$ 2,850
Election Set up Crew (6wks x2)	\$ 375	12 Wks	\$ 4,500
Custodial Fees	\$ 787.25	2	\$ 1,575
Total Election Workers		45	\$ 18,150
Election Expenses			
Admiral Moving Company	\$ 140	16	\$ 2,240
Private Polling location	\$ 225	2	\$ 450
Election Supplies	\$ 1,000	1	\$ 1,000
LHS Printing Design & Memory Card, IVS	\$ 5,000	1	\$ 5,000
Grand Total			\$ 26,840



Luke A. Bronin
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ITEM # 6 ON AGENDA?

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Parks Build Community Grant

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant of \$20,000 from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Disney Parks Build Community Project.

Hartford was one of fifteen cities invited to participate in Year Two of the expansion of NRPA's Parks Build Community initiative. The purpose of this grant is to support programs that connect youth and nature, help youth and families live healthier, and increase youth's access to sports. The Hartford Department of Families, Children, Youth & Recreation submitted a number of programs and NRPA selected three for consideration. During the month of April 2016, residents of Hartford were invited to cast their vote on-line for their favorite proposal. The project with the most votes was Hartford Youth Rowing on the Connecticut River, which offered rowing and canoe classes for lower income youth and their families

The project was implemented in the spring, summer, and fall of 2016 through an agreement with Riverfront Recapture, Inc. A series of rowing and canoeing classes for Hartford youth were offered at Riverside Park, including open classes and clinics specifically for students at Capital Preparatory School, Covenant Preparatory School, and Achievement First.

Through an oversight, a resolution authorizing acceptance of the grant was not previously submitted to Council, thereby preventing the City from reimbursing Riverfront Recapture for the program. Therefore, we respectfully request that Council act on the attached resolution at their earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford was invited, by the National Recreation & Parks Association (NRPA), to apply for a Parks Build Community grant , and

WHEREAS, Several potential projects were submitted to NRPA and three were chosen to be considered, and

WHEREAS, During the month of April 2016, the Hartford community participated in online voting to select their favorite project from the three options and Hartford Youth Rowing on the Connecticut River was selected for funding, and

WHEREAS, The City contracted with Riverfront Recapture, Inc. to operate the program in Riverside Park during the spring, summer, and fall of 2016, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the grant of \$20,000 from NRPA through its Disney Parks Build Community program, 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 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.



ITEM # 7 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
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RE: MIRA Contract

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to enter into an agreement with the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority ("MIRA") to provide for the disposal of the City's solid waste and recycling stream.

The current agreement for disposal of residential and municipal waste and recycling services between the City and MIRA (formerly known as the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority), expires on June 30, 2017. Pursuant to State Statute and City ordinance, Hartford is a member of the Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority ("CCSWA"). CCSWA carried out a competitive procurement process for waste disposal and recycling services for member towns Hartford, Cromwell, Enfield, Manchester, Simsbury and South Windsor, by issuing two requests for proposals (the "RFPs"); MIRA was the only respondent to both RFPs. MIRA offered five options to the member towns.

An analysis of the Hartford's waste disposal and recycling service needs was conducted. Each of MIRA's agreement options was considered in light of the City's needs and other factors, such as existing host community agreements, operational impacts, and future regional initiatives. The City Administration recommends a ten-year agreement (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2027) which includes no minimum tonnage commitment or tonnage cap, a \$5 per ton rebate for recycling, if the MIRA Board approves such a rebate, and an opt-out provision if the disposal fee set annually by the MIRA Board exceeds the fee included in the proposal. The fee included in the proposal was \$64 per ton. At their meeting of February 23, 2017, however, the MIRA Board adopted a fee of \$68 per ton for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Staff of the Department of Public Works is available to discuss this matter with you.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The current agreement for disposal of residential and municipal waste and recycling services between the City of Hartford (the "City") and the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority ("MIRA"), expires June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to State statute and City ordinance, the City is a member of the Central Connecticut Solid Waste Authority ("CCSWA") along with the towns of Cromwell, Enfield, Manchester, Simsbury, and South Windsor; and

WHEREAS, In order to secure the best pricing, terms, and services, CCSWA carried out a competitive procurement process for waste disposal and recycling services for member towns by issuing two requests for proposals (the "RFPs"); and

WHEREAS, MIRA was the only respondent to the RFPs and provided several options for municipalities to select from; and

WHEREAS, The City Administration has analyzed the options presented by MIRA considering the City's needs and other variables, such as existing host community agreements, operational impacts, and future regional initiatives, and has recommended a ten-year agreement with a first-year disposal fee of \$68 per ton of waste and the option for a recycling rebate if offered by MIRA; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a ten-year Agreement with MIRA for waste and recycling services for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2027; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby empowers and authorizes the Mayor to execute and deliver the Agreement and any amendments thereto upon and subject to such other terms and conditions that the Mayor and the City's Office of the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor or his designee is hereby empowered and authorized to execute and deliver any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Office of the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate and/or further 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 or his designee fail to execute and deliver 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 Mayor or his designee executing and delivering such Agreement and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor or his designee and the Office of the Corporation Counsel.



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

ITEM # 8 ON AGENDA

April 10, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Distracted Driving Grant

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached, for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept the Fiscal Year 2017 Distracted Driving Enforcement Grant, in the amount of \$56,100, from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Office.

The objective of this program is to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities that result from distracted driving and bring Hartford closer to *Vision Zero* which recognizes that no loss of life due to automobile accidents is acceptable. Grant funds will be used to fund overtime requirements related to enforcement activities at locations determined by the Hartford Police Department, which will include areas that experience a high volume of serious accidents.

The grant agreement stipulates that the operation of this selective traffic enforcement program shall be above and beyond the normal and special patrol activities scheduled during the program periods. The grant further requires that the City provide matching funds in the amount of \$18,700. This match will be provided in the form of the fringe benefits (54.91%) of officers taking part in this program.

Distracted Driving grant funding was not scheduled to be allocated this year. However, CT DOT has made the grants available to selected communities, including Hartford. Targeted enforcement will begin April 1, 2017 and extend through August 16, 2017. In order to begin enforcement near the start date of the grant, I respectfully ask that Council act on the attached resolution at your next meeting. *Twenty-five percent of Distracted Driving related fines collected are returned to the City of Hartford.*

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation awards Distracted Driving Enforcement Grants to municipalities for enforcement activities undertaken to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities from distracted driving behaviors, and

WHEREAS, Grant funds will be used by the Hartford Police Department to conduct high visibility enforcement to reduce the volume of fatalities and injuries resulting from distracted driving, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for and accept the Fiscal Year 2017 Distracted Driving High Visibility Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$56,100 from the Connecticut Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Office, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the City will provide the required local match of \$18,700 through the provision of fringe benefits to officers participating in the program, 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 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.



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

ITEM # 9 ON AGENDA

March 13, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Emerald Ash Borer Appropriation

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is an ordinance appropriating \$200,000 in the Capital Improvement Fund for the first year of an initiative to address the urgent problem of infestation of ash trees on public property by the Emerald Ash Borer. The initiative will include treatment, removal, and replanting. Funds for this appropriation are available in the Parks Trust Fund.

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a wood-boring beetle which feeds exclusively on all species of ash trees. EAB eggs are laid in the crevices of ash tree bark during the summer. The larvae that hatch from these eggs burrow into and feed on the bark until late fall. They create a chamber where they spend the winter. In the spring the EABs mature into adults and emerge from the tree in May and June. They consume leaf tissue before flying, mating, and laying eggs.

Trees infested with Emerald Ash Borers will die as a result of destruction of their bark by the larvae and by the woodpeckers that feed on them, as well as leaf-eating by adults. It is likely that, within two years, most of the ash trees in Hartford will be infected. Not only does the death of the many large ash trees reduce the urban tree canopy, but ash trees become very brittle when they die, drop limbs, and collapse, thus posing a threat to public safety.

The City's Tree Advisory Commission and the City Forester have been analyzing the impact of EAB infestation with the assistance of Dr. Richard Cowles of the CT Agricultural Experiment Station. They estimate that there are about 200 ash trees in the city's public rights of way and 600 which are near playgrounds, parking lots, pathways, roadways, and playing fields in parks. The Commission has developed strategies and scenarios to address EAB infestation over the next three years. These strategies include treatment of trees that can be saved through insecticide injections either through the trunks or in the soil, removal of trees that are too infested to survive, and replacement of these trees. The Commission has also suggested several scenarios for implementation of these strategies over the next three years. The annual cost estimates for these scenarios range from \$195,000 to \$350,000. In all scenarios, Dr. Cowles has advised that treatment must begin in May in order to be most effective.

I recommend that \$200,000 be appropriated in the Capital Improvement Fund for the first year of the Emerald Ash Borer initiative. These funds will be made available from the Parks Trust Fund. Members of my staff and the Tree Advisory Commission are available to assist you in your review of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Luke A. Bronin".

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

550 Main Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06103
Telephone (860) 757-9500
Facsimile (860) 722-6606

Introduced by: Mayor Luke A. Bronin

HEADING
AND
PURPOSE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A CIP ORDINANCE ADOPTED ON MAY 23, 2016, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$200,000 FOR REMOVAL, TREATMENT, AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF ASH TREES SUBJECT TO INFESTATION BY THE EMERALD ASH BORER AND LOCATED IN PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND IN PROXIMITY TO PLAYGROUNDS, PARKING LOTS, PATHWAYS, ROADWAYS, AND PLAYING FIELDS IN CITY PARKS AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF \$200,000 FROM THE HARTFORD PARKS TRUST FUND TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATION

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL,
CITY OF HARTFORD
March 13, 2017

Be It Ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford:

Section 1. The sum of [\$48,311,278] \$48,511,278 is hereby appropriated by the City of Hartford, Connecticut (the "City") for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of the various public improvements and equipment hereinafter listed (as more fully described in the narrative description of such improvements and equipment in the City of Hartford CIP Project Commentary dated April 18, 2016), including legal, administrative and related costs (the "Projects"), said appropriation to be inclusive of any and all Federal and State grants-in-aid and proceeds from the Hartford Parks Trust Fund:

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES:

Replacements and Upgrades to Various School Facilities	\$5,057,500
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PUBLIC SAFETY:

Renovation of Fire Station #11	5,000,000
Fire Station Improvements	1,664,100
Police Camera Systems and Related Equipment	1,364,678
Firing Range Renovations & Safety Enhancements	100,000

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Park Improvements and Playground Enhancements	3,550,000
<u>Emerald Ash Borer Initiative</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Neighborhood Environmental Improvements	1,000,000

PUBLIC WORKS:

Milling and Paving	3,500,000
Sidewalks	1,000,000
Street Lights	1,200,000
Street Light Conversion to LED	5,000,000
Traffic Calming	200,000
Streetscapes	2,000,000
Street Signalization	5,000,000
Bridge Repairs	500,000
Refuse Carts	500,000
Oil Tanks	250,000
Citywide Security	500,000
Roof Replacement	500,000

Municipal Facilities Renovations	2,000,000
Energy Projects	1,250,000
Building Demolition	250,000

DEVELOPMENT:

Neighborhood Anti-Blight & Housing Revitalization	3,000,000
Federal/State Grant Matching Funds	225,000
Bowles Park Redevelopment	1,000,000
Redevelopment and Implementation	1,000,000
Emergency Demolition Funds	400,000
Document Conversion	300,000
Participatory Budgeting	<u>1,000,000</u>

Total	[\$48,311,278] <u>\$48,511,278</u>
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Section 2. The estimated useful life of the Projects is not less than twenty years. The total estimated cost of the Projects is [\$48,311,278] \$48,511,278. The cost of the Projects is expected to be defrayed from State and Federal grants and the Hartford Parks Trust Fund.

Section 3. To meet said appropriations, \$48,311,278 bonds of the City, or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the maximum maturity permitted by the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes"). Said bonds may be issued in one or more series in the amount necessary to meet the City's share of the cost of the Projects determined after considering the estimated amount of any State and Federal grants-in-aid therefor and proceeds from the Hartford Parks Trust Fund, or the actual amounts thereof, and the anticipated time of receipt of the proceeds thereof, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, financing, legal and other costs of issuance of such bonds. The bonds shall be in the denomination of \$1,000 or such other amount or whole multiple thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the City by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company, which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the City and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Section 4. The bonds, or any series thereof, may be issued and sold by the Mayor and City Treasurer in a competitive offering or by negotiation or private placement, in their discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the City. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least three days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Mayor and the City Treasurer.

Section 5. The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, have the seal of the City affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and the City Treasurer pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The notes shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes. The notes shall be general obligations of the City and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, may be included as a cost of the Projects. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 6. The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of State grants-in-aid of the Projects. The notes shall be issued and sold in the manner as shall be determined by the Mayor and City Treasurer. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be executed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and City Treasurer, have the City seal affixed, be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor and City Treasurer pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut. The notes and any renewals thereof shall mature and be payable not later than the end of the fiscal year during which the proceeds of State grants-in-aid in anticipation of which the Notes have been issued are received. The notes shall be general obligations of the City and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing, and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of the notes, may be included as a cost of the Projects. Upon receipt of the State grants-in aid, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any of the notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 7. The balance of any appropriation or the proceeds of any bonds not needed to meet the cost of any Project authorized hereby may be transferred by resolution of the Common Council to meet the actual cost of any other capital project of the City (including Projects authorized hereby and capital projects authorized by prior or future bond ordinances) for which an appropriation and bond authorization has been adopted; provided that the aggregate amount of bonds authorized pursuant to such transfer shall not be increased.

Section 8. The Mayor is hereby authorized to spend a sum not to exceed the aforesaid appropriation for the purposes set forth herein, and the Mayor is specifically authorized to make, execute and deliver any contract or contracts, and any other documents necessary or convenient to complete a Project authorized herein and the financing thereof.

Section 9. The issuance of bonds and notes authorized hereunder is within every debt limitation prescribed by law.

Section 10. The City hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this ordinance in the maximum amount and for the Projects with the proceeds of bonds, notes, or other obligations ("Tax Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the City. The Tax Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the

date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The City hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of the Tax Exempt Obligations.

Section 11. The Mayor, the City Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the City, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of certain events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to the MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 12. The Mayor and City Treasurer, in the name of the City, are hereby authorized to, and if any such action shall heretofore have been taken, such action is hereby ratified and confirmed, (a) publish such notices, hold such hearings, make such representations and agreements, and take such other actions as shall be necessary to enable Bond Counsel to render its opinions as to the validity of the bonds and the exclusion of the interest on the bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) make, execute and deliver all such additional and supplemental documents, including, but not limited to, bond insurance agreements, paying agent agreements, tax certificates, tax forms, investment agreements or assignments, (c) appoint any other consultants or professionals as required and (d) do and perform such acts and take such actions as may be necessary or required for the consummation of the transactions provided for and contemplated by this ordinance.

Section 13. The Mayor is authorized in the name and on behalf of the City to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State grants-in-aid of any of the Projects and is further authorized to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof and in connection therewith to contract in the name of the City with engineers, contractors and others.

Introduced by: Council President Thomas J. Clarke II

HEADING
AND
PURPOSE

SUBSTITUTE

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A REGISTRY OF OWNERS OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY AMENDING CHAPTER 18, SECTION 150 OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL,
CITY OF HARTFORD

November 14, 2016

Be It Ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford:

That Chapter 18, Section 150, of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford be amended as follows:

18-150. Registration of owners of residential rental property.

(a) Purpose. The City of Hartford is committed to protecting the safety, health and welfare of its residents, to eliminating housing deterioration and blight, and to protecting the public from unsafe structures. To that end, the City has adopted ordinances and has performed regulation, inspections and code enforcement concerning the operation and condition of property within its borders. This ordinance requires registrations and disclosure of contacts the City may use to observe due process in notifying owners of conditions on their property. The City will use the registration in the enforcement of housing, building and fire safety codes, for regular or emergency enforcement action and in the interest of public safety in securing or demolishing buildings or relocating people.

(b) Definitions.

For purposes of this ordinance, "Owner" shall mean any natural person who is the record owner of the property, or if the property is owned by a business entity, "Owner" shall mean an officer, manager or member of such entity, and in the case of a trust, a trustee.

For purposes of this ordinance, "contact information" shall include the name, email address, telephone numbers, business and residential address.

18-151. Registration.

(a) Registration required. It shall be unlawful for owners of certain residential rental property located within the City of Hartford to rent such property without registering with the Division of

Licenses and Inspection. Upon adoption of this ordinance the Division of Licenses and Inspections shall notify Owners of the requirements of this ordinance. Failure to receive such notice shall not waive its requirements. Owners shall register using such forms as are provided by the Division of Licenses and Inspections, within sixty days from the effective date of this ordinance. Violation shall be subject to the penalties set out in Section 1-4 of the Municipal Code.

(b) Exempt Owners. The Housing Authority of the City, owners of properties with fewer than three units, and owners of licensed rooming houses, hotels, motels, condominiums, elderly housing, and student dormitories, shall be exempt from the requirements of this ordinance.

(c) Fees. Owners shall pay a fee upon registration. The fee for initial registration upon adoption of this ordinance, or upon a change of ownership, shall be fifty dollars for up to five residential rental units existing at the rental property, plus twenty dollars for every additional unit. After the initial fee in the first year of registration for a particular owner, the annual renewal fee for that owner shall be twenty dollars for the first five units plus twenty dollars for each additional unit. The fees shall apply whether or not the units are occupied.

(d) Term and renewal. Registrations made after the effective date of this ordinance and prior to June 30, 2017 shall expire on June 30, 2018. Thereafter, registrations shall be effective for one year, beginning on July 1, 2018 and expiring on June 30 of each year. Registrations must be renewed annually.

Registrations shall not be transferable. Upon a change of ownership, the new owner shall register within thirty days after taking title to the property.

18-152. Required information. The registration shall require the following information:

(a) The property address and tax assessor's parcel identification number for the property.

(b) The number of rental units on the property.

(c) Owner's name and mailing address.

(d) Owner's contact information, which shall include residential and business mailing address, telephone number and email address. If the owner is not a natural person, the Owner shall provide the same contact information for each officer, member or manager of any business entity, or in the case of a trust, the contact information for each trustee.

(e) The contact information of a responsible adult residing in Connecticut, or a company doing business in Connecticut, who or which is and shall be responsible for the care, management and maintenance of the property and is authorized to accept legal process and notices on behalf of the owner if the owner resides or has its principal place of business outside of Connecticut.

(f) The name and contact information of any person holding a mortgage on the property.

(g) The name and contact information of the Owner's insurer of the property. The Owner must notify the City in the event of a change or cancellation of insurance on the property.

(h) The registration form shall be signed by the owner, who shall certify that all the information offered in the registration is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, so that any willfully false statement will be subject to penalty under the law for the making of a false statement.

(i) Proof of insurance including the name of the insurance company, address, business telephone number of the insurance provider along with a copy of the insurance policy,

along with proof of the insurance coverage amount for both liability and fire, that covers at a minimum the value of the property.

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

INTRODUCED BY:

Thomas Clarke II, Council President
Minority Leader Bermudez
Councilwoman Jennings
Councilwoman Winch
Councilman Sanchez

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Charter of the City of Hartford was adopted in 1947 and last amended in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Chapter XII, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of Hartford calls for a periodic review of the Charter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That a Charter Revision Commission be appointed pursuant to the provisions of Sections 7-187 through 7-194 of the Connecticut State Statutes, and of said Commission, one member shall be designated Chairperson; one member shall be designated Vice Chairman; and one shall be appointed Secretary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said Commission shall be empaneled for the purpose of undertaking a thorough review of the current Charter and all aspects of the structure of City Government; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section 7-190 of the Connecticut General Statutes, this Council shall within thirty days of passage of this resolution, appoint members of the Charter Revision Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the City of Hartford Corporation Counsel is requested to provide such assistance to the Commission as it deems necessary.

INTRODUCED BY:

Thomas Clarke II, Council President

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council approved the creation and implementation of a North Hartford Promise Zone Task Force on July 11, 2016 that would be made up of but not limited to the following members: North Hartford Promise Zone Coordinator, NRZ Chairpersons, City and State Elected Officials, HUD Liaison, members of the community and various community agencies; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force is charged with examining key areas within the Promise Zone that needs addressing by providing initial recommendations within 60 days from their initial meeting and developing a prioritized list that will encourage the City of Hartford to seek funding from local, state, federal and private entities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Task Force provide updates and recommendations on a monthly basis to the Court of Common Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council appoints the following members to the North Hartford Promise Zone Task Force:

- North Hartford Promise Zone Coordinator – Courtenay Jackson
- NRZ Chairpersons – Bea Powell, Denise Best, Darlene Childs
- City and State Elected Officials – Glendowlyn Thames, Julio Concepcion, Brandon McGee, Douglas McCrory
- HUD Liaison – Suzanne Piacentini
- Members of the community
- Community Agencies – Blue Hills Civic Association, Upper Albany Main Street

INTRODUCED BY:
Councilwoman Cynthia R. Jennings
Councilwoman Rozina J. Winch

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

Resolution in Support of a Payroll Tax on Workers
Who Work in Towns Where They Do Not Live

Whereas, according to the Hartford Parking Authority (HPA), approximately 123,000 commuters enter the City of Hartford each day to work, nearly doubling the city's population of 124,775 (according to U.S. Census Bureau 2010 Decennial records); and

Whereas, Hartford, the Capital City of the State of Connecticut, continues to be one of the poorest cities in the state, with two of the poorest neighborhoods in the country; and

Whereas, Hartford residents pay 100% of the snow removal, police protection, fire protection, street maintenance, litter removal and other incidentals for every commuter and every visitor that comes into the capital city.

Whereas, the City of Hartford's unemployment rate is nearly twice the state's average, with more than 50% of Hartford children growing up in poverty; and

Whereas, fifty-two (52%) percent of Hartford's land is tax exempt, with one of the highest mill rates in the state (74.29); and

Whereas, the main source of tax revenue for the City of Hartford is through taxes on Hartford businesses, and property taxes on Hartford resident's homes and automobiles; and

Whereas, the State of Connecticut has not fully funded the Payment In lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program, even though the City is dependent on the State paying taxes that they owe to the City of Hartford; and

Whereas, the State of Connecticut has failed to pay taxes they owe to the City of Hartford, or to even put Hartford taxes into their State budget, placing an unconscionable burden on Hartford residents, Hartford businesses and property owners, who must bear the entire brunt and cost of every commuter and every visitor that comes into the city; and

Whereas, surrounding towns, state agencies and prisons drop off and encourage people with social challenges to come to Hartford for financial and social support, costing the city millions of dollars per year, and

Whereas, Hartford residents and Hartford businesses fully subsidize not only 123,000 commuters a day, but they must also subsidize the State of Connecticut who does not to

pay their taxes from the PILOT program to the City of Hartford, further driving the residents of this city into poverty and unprecedented home foreclosures, and

Be It Still Further Resolved, that the Court of Common Council supports a $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% payroll tax on employees working in Connecticut, who are employed in a town that they do not live in. This money will be forwarded to the municipalities to cover expenses for people who do not live in the town that they work in. The funds raised by this payroll tax, will be used to cover expenses incurred by municipalities for street maintenance, road repair, fire and police protection, environmental pollution, and other costs incurred by commuters that work in cities where they do not live.

Be It Finally Resolved, that this $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% payroll tax, would not raise the State budget, and it would provide each municipality with additional financial resources to allow commuters who do not live in a town that they work in, to contribute their fair share of their commuting expenses of these municipalities. This tax will be paid to each of the 169 municipalities in the State of Connecticut, for each worker that works in a town that they do not live in.

INTRODUCED BY:
Councilwoman Cynthia R. Jennings

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

Resolution in Opposition to H.B. 7050

WHEREAS, The Governor has introduced Governor's Bill No. 7050, LCO No. 3789, *an Act Concerning Enhancements to Municipal Finance and Accountability*, and

WHEREAS, this bill attempts to repeal Section 1 Section 7-560 of the Connecticut General Statutes as well as Section 7-394b, and sections 7-560 to 7-579, and sections 12, 15 and 18 to 23 inclusive, and

WHEREAS, the Court of Common Council is against any legislation that attempts to diminish and/or undermine the powers and authority of the Court of Common Council pursuant to the Hartford City Charter and the Hartford Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford is an independently incorporated municipality within the State of Connecticut, and,

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050 a bill presented by the Governor, founded on the premise that the State of Connecticut should have a right to manage the financial affairs of Connecticut municipalities; intercept taxes from Connecticut municipalities; tax hospitals and grant these taxes to municipalities in reckless disregard for the federal economic impact of healthcare on local hospitals; and replace elected city councils, boards of aldermen and selectmen with state appointed employees; and

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050, reserves the right to withhold **all** state reimbursements if a municipality that is more than 30 days late in payment of debt service due to the State of Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, State tax intercepts and withholding of state reimbursements will effectively bankrupt the City of Hartford by rendering the city unable to pay outstanding bills, and

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050 will replace the Elected City Council and the City Treasurer with a state appointed Financial Oversight Board, and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford is currently in fiscal crisis **because** the State of Connecticut over the last eight years, has **never** paid the full taxes that it owes to the City of Hartford, thus driving the city into fiscal crisis, and placing Hartford residents and taxpayers under extreme hardship, including paying high city taxes, and a structural deficit that was **created** by the State's failure to pay the taxes that they owe the City under the Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program, and

WHEREAS, Hartford residents who do not pay **their** taxes, have their property rights removed and their property taken by force, and

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050 has been drafted based on the incorrect and offensive presumption that the City of Hartford Court of Common Council, Mayor and City Treasurer have been mismanaging the city's money, and

WHEREAS, if the State of Connecticut paid the taxes they owe to the City of Hartford, the City of Hartford would not have a deficit at all, and

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050 does not in any way, purport to require that the State of Connecticut pay past and current taxes that they owe to the City of Hartford, or that the State of Connecticut has a significant role in placing the city in fiscal crisis, and

WHEREAS, H.B. 7050 gives the State of Connecticut, which is clearly in fiscal trouble, access to the property rights and property taxes paid by Hartford taxpayers through a tax intercept procedure, placing our assets at risk, and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut is now attempting to place the City of Hartford in a Debtor status to the State of Connecticut, who currently owes millions of dollars in back taxes to the City of Hartford, and has failed to manage its own money in a prudent and responsible manner, or to pay their tax bill to the City of Hartford, and

Whereas, the Court of Common Council is against **any** legislation that attempts to diminish and/or undermine the powers and authority of the Court of Common Council pursuant the Hartford City Charter and the Hartford Municipal Code; and

Whereas, H.B. 7050 is founded on the premise that the State of Connecticut should have a right to manage the financial affairs of Connecticut municipalities; intercept taxes from Connecticut municipalities; tax hospitals and grant these taxes to municipalities in reckless disregard for the federal economic impact of healthcare on local hospitals; and replace elected city councils, boards of aldermen and selectmen with state appointed employees; and

Whereas, H.B. 7050, reserves the right to withhold **all** state reimbursements if a municipality that is more than 30 days late in payment of debt service due to the State of Connecticut, again, placing Hartford's assets at risk, and

Whereas, State tax intercepts and withholding of state reimbursements will effectively bankrupt the City of Hartford by rendering the city unable to pay outstanding bills, and

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created by the State's refusal or inability to pay the taxes that they owe the City under the PILOT program, and

Whereas, Hartford residents who do not pay **their** taxes to the State, have their property rights removed and their property taken by force, and

Be It Resolved, that the City of Hartford Court of Common Council, is in opposition to H.B. 7050, including the State takeover of our local property taxes, and the continued, intentional act of ignoring the fact that the state of Connecticut owes the City of Hartford millions of dollars in back taxes, while at the same time, attempting to take Hartford property taxes through a tax intercept procedure, and place Hartford in a debtor position to the state, and

Be It Still Further Resolved, that the Court of Common Council urges our Hartford Delegation and other State elected officials to oppose H.B. 7050, and any attempt by the State of Connecticut, to take over the finances, taxes and resources of the City of Hartford, until there is a plan in place for the State of Connecticut to pay the back taxes owed to the City of Hartford, thereby eliminating our structural deficit.

INTRODUCED BY:
Councilman Larry Deutsch
Councilwoman rJo Winch
Council President Thomas Clarke II
Councilman James Sanchez

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, the Recreation division of the Department of Family, Children, Youth and Recreation, offers an important and valued recreation program throughout the City of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, these benefits are offered in safe and comfortable environments for all age groups with trained city employees and added voluntary contributions, and

WHEREAS, such benefits are also enjoyed by non-Hartford consumers from other towns and cities, and

WHEREAS, many towns and cities charge Non-Resident consumers fees for the use of their recreation programs, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Hartford City Council proposes a fee schedule (TBD) for all recreational programs that are offered by the Division of Recreation in the City of Hartford for non-Hartford consumers, effective the summer of 2017, for maintenance of activities and facilities within the Division. And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Parker Memorial Center and Arroyo-Pope Park Recreational Center, be maintained at the recent schedules just prior to April, 2017.

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilman James Sanchez
Council President T.J. Clarke II
Councilman Larry Deutsch
Councilwoman rJo Winch

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WHEREAS, The Hartford Film, Video, and Media Commission was created by City ordinance in 1994 to develop a strong film, video, and media industry that would contribute substantially to the improvement of the city's economy, contribute to the social well-being of the city and its people, and the city offers outstanding and unique human and natural resources for the development of a strong film, video, and media industry; and

WHEREAS, Film production has the potential to generate substantial revenue from payroll expenditures, equipment purchases, hotel room rentals, catering services, restaurant meals, and purchase of other items and services; and

WHEREAS, In the 21st century, Hartford is well positioned to become a multimedia production center. Home to multiple private and public world-class studio facilities with state-of-the-art equipment, students and adults have fair access to learn competitive skills like cameras, editing, and all aspects of production; and

WHEREAS, Hartford has a viable talent pool of professionally trained actors and other talent such as voiceover artists, stunt doubles, extras, singers, dancers, and musicians; and

WHEREAS, rebuilding and recreating the Hartford Film, Video, and Media Commission will allow Hartford to have an authorized group dedicated to unite its talent and actively promote and advance Hartford as a premier film-making destination; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council supports the revitalization and updating of the Hartford Film, Video, and Media Commission.

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilwoman Glendowlyn L.H. Thames

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, April 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford recently made significant improvements to the Anti-Blight ordinance to strengthen the city's continued efforts to define blight and minimum property maintenance standards, provide a mechanism to identify and cite blighted properties, create a clear process of imposing fines, and allow owners to have a fair citation appeal process; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford is embarking on the establishment of a Hartford Land Bank program to prevent the contagious blight that can sweep across urban neighborhoods, impacting whole blocks even neighborhoods contributing to the death spiral of urban decay; and

WHEREAS, Research suggest Land Banks across the country are often created to replace an antiquated system of tax foreclosure and property disposition; and

WHEREAS, Land Bank programs give communities ownership and the opportunity to repurpose abandoned properties in a manner consistent with the communities' values and needs by treating land as real estate and holding property/land in careful stewardship until a new purpose can be determined; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby supports the establishment of a Hartford Land Bank program and encourages the administration to fully engage with the residents across the city on the policies and practices that will ultimately determine outcomes for Hartford neighborhoods and develop strategic partnerships with existing non-profits, community based organizations and lenders, in order to leverage the resources available to deal with the most distressed land in the City of Hartford; and be it further

RESOLVED, To assure community economic benefit, encourage the administration to establish a registry for local small scale housing developers in Hartford that ensures access to property dispositions of the Land Bank. In addition, confirm that the Land Bank program is consistent with the City of Hartford Municipal Code including but not limited to, local hiring and utilizing local firms; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the administration provides an annual comprehensive report of the Land Bank program and provides quarterly activity reports to the Court of Common Council.