AGENDA

MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL November 27, 2017

Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2017

ACTION TAKEN

COMMUNICATIONS

- MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to accept a grant from the Connecticut Department of Transportation for improvements to the intersection at Maple Avenue and Retreat Avenue and Maple Avenue and Jefferson Street.
- 2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into a ten-year lease agreement with Mac-State Square, LLC and FBE-State Square, LLC for the operation and maintenance of the plaza at State House Square.
- MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to accept a grant
 from the Connecticut Department of Economic Development and Community Development
 for initiatives to improve the quality of life in Hartford.

REPORTS

- 4. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution concerning the appointment of Laura Settlemyer to the Board of Directors of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford.
- 5. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution expressing the desire of the Court of Common Council to work with the administration on developing a city-wide strategy to combat substandard rental housing units that plaque our neighborhoods across the city and ensure we can provide a safe, clean and healthy living environment for our children and families throughout the city.
- 6. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution concerning authorizing a FY 2018 mill rate for motor vehicles from 32 mills to 39 mills for the assessment year October 1, 2016.
- 7. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into a License Agreement with Ebony Horsewomen, Inc. for use of a portion of Keney Park as an equestrian center.
- OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution concerning authorizing a FY2017 budget transfer from available unencumbered balances within the General Fund Budget to eight departments which are projected to have expenditure over-runs.
- OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into a twenty-year Power Purchase Agreement with CT Green Bank to reduce the City's electricity.
- 10. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution requesting that the Court of Common Council accepts the recommendations of the ATV Taskforce and will work diligently to implement strategies to eradicate the illegal use of all-terrain and off road motorbikes in the City of Hartford.
- 11. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, Report concerning an Ordinance amending Chapter 31, Article V concerning Snow and Ice Removal of the Municipal Code.

FOR ACTION

12. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V Division 9B to change the name of the Hartford Commission on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues to Hartford LGBTQ+Commission, of the Municipal Code.

- 13. Ordinance amending Chapter 31, Article V concerning Snow and Ice Removal of the Municipal Code.
- 14. Resolution with accompanying report requesting that the BOE transportation budget be reduced for transportation within intra-district school choice, thereby instituting more crossing guards for our school district.
- 15. Substitute Ordinance creating a Registry of Owners of Residential Rental Property Amending Chapter 18, Section 150 of the Hartford Municipal Code.
- 16. Ordinance amending Municipal code concerning all Establishments that Sell Alcoholic Beverages.
- 17. Resolution with accompanying report requesting clarification about the jobs at the Hartford Stadium and the Living Wage Ordinance.
- 18. Substitute ordinance amending Chapter 2A Pensions, Section 2A-5, Section 2A-6, and Section 2A-25 of the Hartford Municipal Code.
- 19. Resolution concerning the appointment of Susan M. Webster, ENP, RPL as Director of Emergency Services and Telecommunications.
- 20. Resolution concerning the appointment of Liany Elba Arroyo, MPH, CPH as Director of Health & Human Services Department.
- 21. Resolution concerning the appointment of various members to the Commission on Refugee and Immigrants Affairs.

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

22. (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) An Ordinance Amending Chapter VIII adding Section 7, concerning the Department of Public Library of the Hartford Municipal Code.

HEARING DATE - Monday, December 18, 2017

RESOLUTIONS

- (COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE II) Resolution authorizing the requested sponsorship of the Minority Construction Council Annual Holiday Business Exchange Event, on 28th Day, November 2017.
- 24. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE II) Resolution urging the administration to refrain and/or prohibit the retention of any city worker currently employed by another town or municipality and to implement such a rule to prohibit any further tolerance of dual hires by towns in our state as it pertains to Hartford.
- 25. (COUNCILWOMAN JENNINGS) Resolution appointing the members to the Hartford Solid Waste Task Force: Sharon Lewis (Chairperson) Dr. Mark A. Mitchell, Angela D. Skyers MBA, ED.D, Lillian Arciniegas, James P. Sandler, J.D., Steven J. Bonafonte, Esq., Clarence W. Corbin, P.E.; Carmen I. Sierra.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano City Clerk



Mayor

ITEM#____ON AGENDA

November 27, 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: Maple Intersections

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant of \$1,355,310 from the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) for improvements to the intersections at Maple Avenue and Retreat Avenue and Maple Avenue and Jefferson Street.

The source of these funds is the "Hazard Elimination" component of the Federal "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act" (FAST). The City received a Project Authorization Letter from CT DOT dated October 13, 2016. CT DOT has implemented a new process for providing construction funds to municipalities which entails the execution of a Master Agreement and does not require the adoption of a resolution by local elected bodies. Therefore, this grant was added to the City's CT DOT Master Agreement, accounts were established, and the project moved forward. Since the Hartford City Charter does require the Council to authorize the acceptance of funding through a resolution, we are submitting the attached resolution to comply with this requirement. The project is fully designed and a consultant inspection firm and contractor have been selected.

The Maple Avenue Intersection project will cost \$1,624,100 and consists of installation of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Maple Avenue and Retreat Avenue and replacement of the traffic signal at the intersection of Maple Avenue and Jefferson Street and improvements to the geometry of that intersection. The grant will cover 90% of the project cost and the City will provide 10% of the cost (\$162,410) from funds available in the Capital Improvement Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) has made available to the City of Hartford a grant of \$1,355,310 through the "Hazard Elimination" component of the Federal "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST), and

WHEREAS, Funds are to be used for replacement of the traffic signal at the intersection of Maple Avenue and Jefferson Street and improvements to the geometry of that intersection, and installation of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Maple Avenue and Retreat Avenue, and

WHEREAS, The total cost of the project is \$1,624,100 and the participation ratio for the project is 90% Federal and 10% Municipal, and

WHEREAS, The City's 10% share of \$162,410 is being provided through available Capital Improvement Funds, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the City is hereby authorized to accept the grant of \$1,355,310 from CT DOT for improvements to the Maple/Jefferson and Maple/Retreat intersections, 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.





November 27, 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: State House Square Plaza Lease

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City of Hartford ("City") to enter into a ten-year lease agreement with Mac-State Square, LLC and FBE-State Square, LLC ("MSS/FBE, LLC") for the operation and maintenance of the plaza at State House Square.

MSS/FBE, LLC owns the Properties at 10 and 50 State Street which consist primarily of two fourteen story office towers, comprising approximately 844,000 SF, north of the Old State House (the "Property"). The adjacent plaza is owned by the City and had been leased to State House Square Retail Limited Partnership (the "Partnership") since 1986 under a 30-year agreement. The plaza operates as a pedestrian mall and gathering place, providing off-street access to food trucks and vendors.

Under the terms of the lease, the plaza is to be used in conjunction with the operation of the Property, with the Partnership being responsible for maintaining and insuring the plaza as well as performing repairs. No rent was required under this lease. The lease expired in December 2016 and since that time MSS/FBE, LLC, the successor in interest to the Partnership, has continued the operation of the Plaza under a license agreement with the City which expired on June 30, 2017.

MSS/FBE, LLC spends approximately \$150,000 annually for the upkeep of the plaza, which includes expenditures for security, insurance, lighting, landscaping, paver repairs, snow removal, trash pickup and cleaning. Throughout the years, MSS/FBE, LLC and its predecessors in interest have done a commendable job of maintaining the plaza under its agreements with the City.

The City and MSS/FBE, LLC would like to enter into a new ten (10) year lease agreement which would allow MSS/FBE, LLC to continue the operation and maintenance of the plaza. The fee payment under the lease would be One Dollar (\$1.00) annually. MSS/FBE, LLC would continue to be responsible for insuring and maintaining the plaza and performing repairs. The plaza provides a welcoming open space next to the Old State House. The continued maintenance and repair of the plaza is essential in preserving its aesthetic appearance and in ensuring the safety of the public in a heavily traversed public right of way. The lease agreement proposed will help ensure the continued vitality and safety of the plaza.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

WHEREAS, Mac-State Square, LLC and FBE-State Square LLC (MSS/FBE, LLC) own the Properties at 10 and 50 State Street which consist primarily of two fourteen story office towers, comprising approximately 844,000 SF, north of the Old State House (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, The plaza adjacent to the Property is owned by the City and has been leased to State House Square Retail Limited Partnership (the "Partnership") since 1986 under a 30-year lease agreement to be used in conjunction with the operation of the Property, with the Partnership being responsible for maintaining and insuring the plaza as well as performing repairs; and

WHEREAS, The lease expired in December 2016 and since that time MSS/FBE, LLC, the successor in interest to the Partnership, has continued the operation of the Plaza under a license agreement with the City which expired on June 30, 2017, and

WHEREAS, The City and MSS/FBE, LLC desire to execute a new ten (10) year lease agreement, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a license agreement with MSS/FBE, LLC which will allow MSS/FEB, LLC to continue the operation and maintenance of the plaza, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) annually, and MSS/FBE, LLC will continue to be responsible for insuring and maintaining the plaza and performing repairs; 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.



November 27, 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: Quality of Life Grant

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to accept a grant of \$2,500,000 from the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). The DECD grant will be used to implement initiatives that will not only help to respond to and solve quality of life crimes and violations quickly, but also to prevent incidents from occurring. Specifically, the grant will be used to address, more aggressively and effectively, such issues as motor vehicle violations, narcotics markets, illegal dumping, public drinking, quad and dirt bike disruptions, noise, speeding, car break-ins, and larcenies.

Of the \$2.5 million grant, \$500,000 will be utilized for traffic calming in residential neighborhoods. The Department of Public Works has partnered with Hartford's Neighborhood Revitalization Zones to identify areas where vehicular speeding is common and dangerous to pedestrians and bicycle riders. Grant funds will enable the City to install permanent traffic calming measures to address the NRZs' concerns.

Funds will also be used to expand and enhance the City's camera system. The Public Works and Police Departments have worked with NRZs to plan the expansion. Cameras will be installed along major commercial corridors, both in public spaces and on commercial property in a partnership with business owners. The cameras will not only provide views along the major thoroughfares, but down side streets as well, thus providing security for both business and residential areas. Cameras will also be made available to residents for installation on their property. The grant will also be used to integrate analytical software into the camera system. This software will allow the discovery, interpretation, and communication of meaningful patterns in the data collected by the system. These patterns will help predict crime, collect evidence of crimes, and apprehend the perpetrators and can also provide information to commercial enterprises that may be used for planning and marketing. The grant will also be used to purchase two drones which will be used to assist in locating illegal ATVs and dirt bikes, to assist with the safe pursuit of stolen vehicles or fleeing suspects, and to improve security at public events.

I want to express my appreciation to Senator John Fonfara who took a leadership role in obtaining these State funds. We expect that the enhancements made possible by this grant will markedly improve the quality of life for Hartford residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL.

City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) has awarded a grant of \$2.5 million to the City of Hartford to be used for quality of life initiatives, and

WHEREAS, Crimes and violations that affect Hartford's quality of life include motor vehicle violations, speeding, narcotics markets, illegal dumping, public drinking, quad and dirt bike disruptions, noise, speeding, car break-ins, and larcenies, and

WHEREAS, Funds will be used to expand the City's camera system, integrate analytic software into the camera management system, purchase two drones, install traffic calming measures in neighborhoods, and implement other strategies that will aid the City in responding to and solving quality of life crimes and in preventing incidents from occurring, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept a grant of \$2,500,000 from DECD to be used for initiatives to improve the quality of life in Hartford, 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.

CITY OF HARTFORD 550 MAIN STREET HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader John Q. Gale, Assistant Majority Leader Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader

REPORT

Larry Deutsch, Councilman Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman James Sánchez, Councilman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman rJo Winch, Councilwoman

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John V. Bazzano, Town and City Clerk

November 27, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke, II, Council President City of Hartford Suite 208 550 Main Street Hartford, Ct 06103

Dear Council President and Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Planning, Economic Development, and Housing Committee held a special meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2017, 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the following:

Present:

Chairman Concepcion, Councilwoman Bermudez, Councilman Gale, and Councilwoman Thames.

Meeting Agenda:

- I. Call to Order at 5:39 p.m. by Chairman Concepcion.
- II. Referred Items:

- Resolution concerning the appointment of Laura Settlemeyer to the Board of Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford. (Mayor Bronin) (Item # 3 on the 10/23/17 Agenda).
 - Ms. Settlemeyer gave a background on her experiences in the hosing field expecially when she worked for the City of New Orleans. She also stated that if necessary she would accuse herself from any votes that maybe in the conflict of interest.
 - Motion made by Councilman Gale (Second: Councilwoman Thames) to send this item back to the full body with a favorable report.
 - Roll Call Vote: 3 Yes. 0 No. 2 Absent. 0 Abstain.
 - Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilman Concepcion

Chair of the Planning, Economic Development, and Housing Committee



October 23, 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: Hartford Housing Authority Appointment

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Laura Settlemyer as a member of the Board of Directors of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford (HACH).

The vision of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford is to be a "catalyst for change in the successful creation of strong communities and families". To make this vision a reality, the Authority focuses on providing safe, decent and affordable high-quality housing and homeownership choices to families and individuals and serving as a catalyst for the creation of economic opportunities and independence in Hartford's diverse communities. There are five Commissioners, four appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council and one selected by the tenants of HACH properties. Commissioners serve five year terms. Commissioners must be committed to both the vision and the goals of the Authority and must have the skills and experience to work closely with and complement the work of the staff.

Ms. Settlemyer, as you know, is the City's Director of Blight Remediation. She holds a law degree from Emory University and a Bachelors degree in Economics from Harvard. Her background includes extensive work around redevelopment, housing, neighborhood revitalization, land banking and blight remediation. She is a resident of Downtown and is a published author and accomplished public speaker. Her resume is attached for your review.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

INTRODUCED BY: Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, October 23, 2017

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 Laura Settlemyer 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:

Laura Settlemyer (D), 777 Main Street, Unit 1808, Hartford, 06103 Appointed to a term to expire on May 31, 2019 (Replacing William M. Brown)

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John V. Bazzano, Town and City Clerk

November 27, 2017

REPORT

Larry Deutsch, Councilman Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman James Sánchez, Councilman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman rJo Winch, Councilwoman

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke, II, Council President City of Hartford Suite 208 550 Main Street Hartford, Ct 06103

Dear Council President and Members of the Court of Common Council:

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Present:

Chairman Concepcion, Councilwoman Bermudez, Councilman Gale, and Councilwoman

Thames.

Meeting Agenda:

- I. Call to Order at 5:39 p.m. by Chairman Concepcion.
 - II. Referred Items:
 - 1. Resolution expressing the desire of the Court of Common Council to work with the administration on developing a city-wide strategy to combat substandard rental housing

units that plaque our neighborhoods across the city and ensure we can provide a safe, clean, and healthy living environment for our children and families throughout the City. (Councilwoman Bermudez, Winch, & Thames, Council President Clarke) (Item # 29 on the 9/11/17 Agenda).

- There was extensive discussion on this topic. Corporation Counsel, Development Services and the Council have discussed the final version of the "Tenants Bill of Rights". The new version of said document is attached to this resolution.
- Motion made by Councilman Gale (Second: Councilwoman Thames) to send this item back to the full body with a favorable report.
- Roll Call Vote: 3 Yes. 0 No. 2 Absent. 0 Abstain.
- Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilman Concepcion

Chair of the Planning, Economic Development, and Housing Committee

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 11, 2017

Councilwoman Glendowlyn L.H. Thames Council President Thomas J. Clarke II Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez Councilwoman rJo Winch

WHEREAS, The need for quality affordable and market rate rental housing throughout the City of Hartford's neighborhoods is critical for the city to be economically vibrant and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford currently does not have adequate and sufficient man-power and other resources to address and remedy all housing code violations; and

WHEREAS, The City has made Blight a major quality of life priority over the past year however, this effort has been primarily focused on the external portion of the buildings and/or structures and not the internal blight that is pervasive across our city in the housing rental unit market; and

WHEREAS, To respond to the growing demands of the community to ensure we are providing a safe, healthy inventory of rental housing to residents of the City, it is important we develop a comprehensive strategy to preserve and increase our affordable and market rate rental housing stock; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council has the desire to work with the administration on developing a city-wide strategy to combat substandard rental housing units that plaque our neighborhoods across the city and ensure we can provide a safe, clean and healthy living environment for our children and families throughout the city; and be it further

RESOLVED, That at a minimum, as part the strategy the following elements should be incorporated:

- A City of Hartford Tenant Bill of Rights (please see exhibit "A " a suggested initial framework)
- Develop a system that identifies the most egregious and regular offenders
- Research and suggest state policy that could be introduced that enables the city of Hartford staff with more tools to do their job more efficiently and rapidly
- Implement a process improvement strategy that cross-trains housing inspectors and provides better coordination of internal policies and practices to ensure we can adequately and efficiently prioritize and deploy resources
- Design a work flow process across all relevant programs that the city administers related to
 housing such as subsidies, abatements, grants etc. to ensure the city is not letting property
 owners "off the hook" in the event they have active housing code and/or other related city
 and/or state violations.
- Provide at minimum a comprehensive annual report to the Planning, Economic Development Committee identifying a detailed report on the case load for housing code violations, resolutions, active and closed cases.

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John V. Bazzano, Town and City Clerk

Larry Deutsch, Councilman Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman James Sánchez, Councilman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman rJo Winch, Councilwoman

Report

November 27, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street Room 208 Hartford, CT. 06103

Dear Council President Clarke II and Members of the Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee (OMBGA) held a meeting on November 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #5

Communication from Mayor Bronin, with accompanying resolution concerning authorizing a FY2018 mill rate for motor vehicles from 32 mills to 39 mills for the assessment year October 1, 2016.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, committee members President Thomas J. Clarke II, Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader, Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings, non-committee council members, Councilman Larry Deutsch and Councilman John Gale.

Also present were, Howard Rifkin, Corporation Counsel, Thea Montanez, Chief of Staff, Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants, Joan Barere, Director of Central Grants Administration and Strategic Partnerships, Nancy Raich, Tax Collector, Leigh Ann Ralls, Acting Director of Finance, Shubhada Kambli, Sustainability Coordinator, Ryan Pierce, Project Manager, Alexandra Beaudoin, Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff & Intergovernmental Affairs, Faith Palmer, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Stewart, Associate Manager, Clean Energy Finance for CT Green Bank and other concerned citizens.

Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants and Nancy Raich, Tax Collector explained the resolution concerning authorization of changing the motor vehicle mill rate from 32 to 39 mills for FY2018. Public Act 17-2, An Act Concerning the State Budget for the FY2018 and FY2019 Biennium, modified the uniform motor vehicle mill rate from 32 to 39 mills in FY2018 and from 39 to 45 mills in FY2019. Due to the timing of budget enactment, municipalities had already set the motor vehicle mill rate at the statutory level of 32 mills. The state budget implementer language authorized the legislative body of any municipality to revise their mill rate to 39 mills, by legislative vote, no later than December 15, 2017.

Ms. McCaw also shared that in addition, the state budget reduced the municipal aid offset for the car tax supplement, which traditionally provides in revenue the difference between the statutory uniform mill rate and the city's standard mill rate for motor vehicles. Any municipalities that do not implement the increased mill rate will be impacted by a revenue loss. The associated revenue impact to the City of Hartford would equate to \$2.7 million.

Nancy Raich Tax Collector stated, that should Council approve this mill rate increase, the January 2018 installment of motor vehicle tax bills would contain a supplemental adjustment to reflect this increase.

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members Ms. McCaw and Ms. Raich concerning the financial impact to the City. Ms. McCaw informed the committee that there would be \$2.7 million projected revenues if the motor vehicle mill rate is adopted by December 15, 2017, if not, the \$2.7 million would be added to the City's deficit.

A motion was made by Council President Clarke II and seconded by Councilwoman Jennings to send this item to full Council with no recommendation.

Vote Taken: (5-0-0 Abstain- 1 Absent- Pass)

Chairwoman Thames: Yes

Minority Leader Bermúdez: Yes Council President Clarke II: Yes

Majority Leader Julio Concepción: Yes

Councilwoman Jennings: Yes Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully Submitted.

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames

Chairwoman of Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee



November 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: Motor Vehicle Mill Rate Increase

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration, please find a resolution authorizing a FY2018 mill rate increase for motor vehicles from 32 mills to 39 mills for the assessment year October 1, 2016. This change is necessary pursuant to changes made by the State Legislature in Section 12-71e of the Connecticut General Statutes via Section 699 of House Bill 1502 of the June Special Session.

The FY2018 Budget assumes a total of \$26.3 million in revenues associated with motor vehicle taxes. This is comprised of \$12.4 million in property tax revenue from the direct collection of motor vehicle taxes. In addition, the FY2018 Adopted Budget also includes an assumption of \$13.9 million in municipal aid from the State of Connecticut, consistent with aid received in FY2017, to supplement the revenue loss due to the implementation of a uniform motor vehicle mill rate at 32 mills as compared to the City's mill rate of 74.29.

Section 699 of House Bill 1502 of the June Special Session, amends CGS Section 12-71e of the Connecticut General Statutes to increase the uniform motor vehicle mill rate from 32 to 39 mills for FY2018. The legislation authorizes the legislative body of any municipality which has already set its mill rate, to revise their motor vehicle mill rate, by legislative vote, no later than December 15, 2017. Based on the increase in the statutory uniform mill rate to 39, the revenue from the State will be reduced to reflect the new motor vehicle mill rate cap. The increase to 39 mills would result in a projected \$2.7 million in revenue to offset this revenue loss.

This legislative action still maintains a significant decrease from the prior motor vehicle mill rate of 74.29, which is of benefit to our residents and taxpayers. As an example, a vehicle with an assessed value of \$10,000 would have received an annual tax bill of \$743. By comparison, the current mill rate of 32.00 mills results in an annual tax bill of \$320 and, at the proposed change to 39 mills, the annual bill would increase to \$390. Therefore, the increase to 39 mills continues to maintain a significant reduction from prior year mill rates.

I respectfully ask that the Council act on the attached resolution as soon as is practical, but no later than the Council meeting of December 11, 2017. My staff is available to discuss this matter with you at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, November 13, 2017

WHEREAS, The Connecticut State Legislature has amended Section 12-71e of the Connecticut General Statutes in Sec. 699 of HB 1502 of the June Special Session to raise the maximum tax rate for motor vehicles from 32 mills to 39 mills for the assessment year beginning October 1, 2016, and

WHEREAS, The Legislature further adopted language authorizing the legislative body of any municipality which has already set its mill rate, to revise the rate in accordance with the amendment, and take legislative action no later than December 15, 2017, and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford utilized a motor vehicle tax rate of 32 mills in adoption of the FY2018 Budget, and

WHEREAS, It is projected that additional revenue of \$2.7 million would be collected by the City in the current fiscal year if the motor vehicle tax rate was increased to 39 mills, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby increases the motor vehicle tax rate for the assessment year beginning October 1, 2016 to 39 mills.

Court of Common Council

CITY OF HARTFORD
550 MAIN STREET
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader John Q. Gale, Assistant Majority Leader Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader

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Report

November 27, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street Room 208 Hartford, CT. 06103

Dear Council President Clarke II and Members of the Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee (OMBGA) held a meeting on November 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #4

Communication from Mayor Bronin, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into a License Agreement with Ebony Horsewomen, Inc. for use of a portion of Keney Park as an equestrian center.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, committee members President Thomas J. Clarke II, Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader, Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings, non-committee council members, Councilman Larry Deutsch and Councilman John Gale.

Also present were, Howard Rifkin, Corporation Counsel, Thea Montanez, Chief of Staff, Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants, Joan Barere,

Director of Central Grants Administration and Strategic Partnerships, Nancy Raich, Tax Collector, Leigh Ann Ralls, Acting Director of Finance, Shubhada Kambli, Sustainability Coordinator, Ryan Pierce, Project Manager, Alexandra Beaudoin, Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff & Intergovernmental Affairs, Faith Palmer, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Stewart, Associate Manager, Clean Energy Finance for CT Green Bank and other concerned citizens.

Thea Montanez, Chief of Staff explained the resolution requesting the City of Hartford enter in to a Licensing Agreement with Ebony Horsewomen, Inc., to continue to formally utilize the portion of Keney Park where the former stable grounds of the Hartford Mounted Police as an equestrian center.

Ms. Montanez identified the following terms and conditions of the agreement as follows:

- Initial term shall be five years with the option to renew for five (5) additional years.
- The license agreement will not require payment from Ebony Horsewomen to the City for use of the Property.
- City shall carry out improvements to the property necessary to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Ebony Horsewomen shall pay for electricity, water, and natural gas

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members and Ms. Montanez concerning ability of the organization to pay for their expenses, snow removal, and subleasing. Ms. Montanez ensured the committee that a \$5,000 balance must be maintained as a reserve fund for repairs and maintenance and would be monitored by the Kim Oliver, Director of Families, Children, Youth & Recreation (FCYR), snow removal would be the responsibility of the City and subleasing would not be allowed under this agreement.

A motion was made by Council President Clarke and seconded by II Councilwoman Jennings to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (5-0-0 Abstain- 1 Absent- Pass)

Chairwoman Thames: Yes

Minority Leader Bermúdez: Yes Council President Clarke II: Yes

Majority Leader Julio Concepción: Yes

Councilwoman Jennings: Yes Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames

Chairwoman of Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee



November 13, 2017

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

RE: Ebony Horsewomen License Agreement

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to enter into a License Agreement with Ebony Horsewomen, Inc. for use of a portion of Keney Park as an equestrian center.

Ebony Horsewomen is a non-profit community service organization whose mission is to empower youth from Hartford and surrounding towns and guide them toward successful lives through equine assisted therapy, therapeutic riding, and educational programs. The goal is to cultivate leaders, prevent high-risk behavior, and encourage academic achievement. The organization was founded in 1984 and has operated its equestrian center in Keney Park for many years, at the stable and grounds of the former Police Mounted Patrol. Ebony Horsewomen wishes to continue to utilize this site and the City is willing.

The City and Ebony Horsewomen ("Licensee") will enter into a License Agreement which sets forth the responsibilities and obligations of both parties. The initial term of the Agreement is five years, with an option for another five-year renewal. The Licensee will be responsible for daily litter pickup and painting, cleaning, fence upkeep and repair, mowing, and landscaping and will pay for electricity, water and natural gas. Licensee will maintain a reserve of \$5,000 for repairs and maintenance costs. The City will make improvements to the site in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and will be responsible for repairs to the roof, HVAC, windows, gutters, fire alarm and security system, plumbing, furnace, and electrical system of the buildings. Licensee will make no payment to the City for use of the property. The Agreement will be managed by the City's Department of Families, Children, Youth & Recreation.

Sincerely.

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, November 13, 2017

WHEREAS, City is the owner of a certain property located in the City of Hartford known as Keney Park, including a portion of the park known as the former stable and grounds of the Hartford Mounted Police (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Ebony Horsewomen, Inc., a Connecticut 501(c)(3) non-profit community-service organization ("Ebony Horsewomen") has been operating an equestrian center on the Property for the past several years consistent with its mission to encourage and empower inner city youth toward positive and successful lives through the use of horses, and

WHEREAS, City and Ebony Horsewomen now desire to enter into a license agreement with the City in order to set forth and delineate their respective rights and obligations with respect to such access and the agreement shall include, but not be limited to, the following terms and conditions:

- Initial term shall be five years with the option to renew for five (5) additional years.
- The license agreement will not require payment from Ebony Horsewomen to the City for use of the Property.
- City shall carry out improvements to the property necessary to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Ebony Horsewomen shall pay for electricity, water, and natural gas

Now, therefore, be it

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

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

RESOLVED, that no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned license agreement, 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 license agreement 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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Report

November 27, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street Room 208 Hartford, CT. 06103

Dear Council President Clarke II and Members of the Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee (OMBGA) held a meeting on November 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

<u>Item #3</u>

Communication from Mayor Bronin, with accompanying resolution concerning authorizing a FY2017 budget transfer from available unencumbered balances within the General Fund Budget to eight departments which are projected to have expenditure over-runs.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, committee members President Thomas J. Clarke II, Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader, Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings, non-committee council members, Councilman Larry Deutsch and Councilman John Gale.

Also present were, Howard Rifkin, Corporation Counsel, Thea Montanez, Chief of Staff, Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants, Joan Barere,

Director of Central Grants Administration and Strategic Partnerships, Leigh Ann Ralls, Director of Finance, Shubhada Kambli, Sustainability Coordinator, Ryan Pierce, Project Manager, Alexandra Beaudoin, Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff & Intergovernmental Affairs, Faith Palmer, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Stewart, Associate Manager, Clean Energy Finance for CT Green Bank and other concerned citizens.

Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants provided an overview of the resolution addressing FY2017 expenditure overruns in the Treasurer's Office, Town Clerk, Internal Audit, Finance, Fire, Public Works, Development Services, and Debt Service totaling \$1,462,503 to be covered from Benefits and Insurance. Ms. McCaw emphasized to the committee that the City's unaudited projection for FY2017 estimates a deficit of approximately \$1 million to \$2 million, which is favorable to original projections due to health care, fringe reimbursements and attrition savings.

Ms. McCaw further explains that the requested transfers do not increase the projected budget deficit for FY2017 but that it represents surpluses in respective departments to cover additional expenditures. She shared with the committee that the surpluses primarily relate to increases from HMEA arbitration award implemented in June 2017, Fire Department overtime and Debt Service expenditures. Such transfers were previously conveyed by the administration explaining that additional transfers would be required at FYE2017 to cover final union arbitration award. In addition, in order to be in compliance, auditors require transactions to be executed prior to the close of the audit for FYE2017.

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members and Ms. McCaw concerning HMEA salaries and budget. Ms. McCaw shared the retroactive wage increases were provided to approximately 160 employees in June 2017.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Jennings and seconded by Council President Clarke II to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (5-0-0 Abstain- 1 Absent- Pass)

Chairwoman Thames: Yes

Minority Leader Bermúdez: Yes Council President Clarke II: Yes

Majority Leader Julio Concepción: Yes

Councilwoman Jennings: Yes Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames

Chairwoman of Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee



November 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: FY 2017 Budget Transfers

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration please find a resolution authorizing FY2017 budget transfers totaling \$1,462,503 from available unencumbered balances within the General Fund Budget to eight departments/accounts which are projected to have expenditure over-runs.

FY2017 General Fund expenditures are preliminarily projected at \$553.5 million, approximately \$5.4 million below the Revised Budget of \$558.9M. (See attached chart comparing adopted, revised, and actual budget figures.) However, the budgets of seven departments and the Debt Service account currently reflect deficits, as shown in the chart below. Many of the deficits are due to the implementation of the HMEA arbitration award in late June. The departments requiring a transfer, the transfer amount, and the primary driver(s) of the expenditure are shown.

Department	Transfer Amount	Driver(s) of Over-Runs
Treasurer's Office	\$ 52,995	Primarily due to retroactive HMEA salary increases and the General Fund absorbing Other Post Employment Benefit salary expenditures
Town Clerk	29,250	Primarily due to retroactive HMEA salary increases and other part-time salary expenses
Internal Audit	21,848	Primarily due to retroactive HMEA salary increases
Finance	223,167	Primarily due to retroactive HMEA salary increases
Fire	523,414	Primarily due to overtime expenditures
Public Works	364,886	Primarily due to HMEA retroactive salary increases and overtime expenditures
Development Services	128,122	Primarily due to HMEA retroactive salary increases
Debt Service	118,821	Primarily due to debt service for Clean Water and the issuance cost for Tax Anticipation Note

We recommend that \$1,462,503 be transferred from Benefits and Insurances to cover these over-runs. Benefits and Insurances closed FY2017 with a favorable variance due to an increase in fringe reimbursements and favorable health expenditures in the fourth quarter of FY2017. In addition, funds were appropriated therein for the settling of collective bargaining agreements.

Each fiscal year, prior to the close of the external audit, the Office of Management, Budget and Grants recommends final transfers necessary to comply with audit requirements. I respectfully request that the Court of Common Council act on this resolution no later than the December 11, 2017 Council meeting, to ensure audit compliance and in time for the issuance of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) by December 31, 2017. My staff and I are available to assist you in your review of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

FY2017 Budget Transfer November 13, 2017

DEPARTMENT	ADOPTED BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL	TRANSFER TO	TRANSFER FROM	FINAL BUDGET
00111 MAYOR'S OFFICE	624,648	730,057	690,349	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		730,077
00112 COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL	596,693	577,898	564,932			577,898
00113 TREASURER	391,650	391,650	444,644	52,995		444.645
00114 REGISTRARS OF VOTERS	414,518	717,211	669,710			717,211
00116 CORPORATION COUNSEL	1,593,095	1,668,095	1,653,425			1,668,095
00117 TOWN & CITY CLERK	739,490	739,490	768,740	29,250		768,740
00118 INTERNAL AUDIT	490,980	490,980	512,828	21,848		512,828
00119 CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	369,843	349,843	295,268			349,843
00120 COMMUNICATIONS & NEW MEDIA	541,098	516,098	466,193			516,098
00122 METRO HARTFORD INFORMATION SERVICES	3,118,247	2,998,818	2,998,818			2,998,818
00123 FINANCE	3,610,884	3,250,884	3,474,051	223,167		3,474,051
00125 HUMAN RESOURCES	1,245,831	1,035,831	945,827			1,035,831
00128 OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT, BUDGET & GRANTS	883,877	728,869	635,636			698,877
00132 FAMILIES CHILDREN YOUTH & RECREATION	3,536,612	3,401,612	3,115,727			3,401,612
00211 FIRE	36,373,153	36,348,153	36,871,567	523,414		36,871,567
00212 POLICE	44,073,922	40,618,922	40,106,139			40,618,922
00213 EMERGENCY SERVICES	3,742,604	3,742,604	3,710,371			3,742,604
00311 PUBLIC WORKS	11,774,521	12,287,021	12,651,906	364,886		12,651,907
00420 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	3,229,396	2,789,396	2,917,517	128,122		2,917,518
00520 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4,241,691	5,291,691	4,789,149			5,291,691
00711 EDUCATION	282,801,144	284,008,188	284,008,065			284,008,188
00721 HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY	7,860,851	7,860,851	7,860,851			7,860,851
00820 BENEFITS & INSURANCES	74,965,228	80,527,064	78,171,541		-1,462,503	79,064,561
00821 DEBT SERVICE	30,079,004	31,899,004	32,017,824	118,821		32,017,825
00822 NON OP DEPT EXPENDITURES	35,642,640	35,980,242	33,120,182			35,980,242
GRAND TOTAL	552,941,620	558,920,500	553,461,260	1,462,503	-1,462,503	558,920,500

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, November 13, 2017

WHEREAS, It is projected that the Treasurer' Office, Town Clerk, Internal Audit, Finance, Fire, Public Works, Development Services, and Debt Service will incur expenditure overruns in Fiscal Year 2017; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with Chapter X Section 7(a) of the Hartford City Charter, the Mayor has recommended the transfer of \$1,462,503 within the General fund to cover these projected overruns; and

WHEREAS, Funds are projected to be available in the unencumbered appropriation balances in the Fiscal Year 2017 General Fund Budget, in Benefits and Insurances and other General Fund departments for transfer to the departments noted above; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the FY 2017 General Fund Budget:

- Transfer \$1,462,503 from Benefits and Insurances and any other General Fund Departmental appropriations with available unencumbered appropriation balances,
- Transfer \$52,995 to Treasurer's Office,
- Transfer \$29,250 to Town Clerk,
- Transfer \$21,848 to Internal Audit,
- Transfer \$223,167 to Finance,
- Transfer \$523,414 to Fire,
- Transfer \$364,886 to Public Works,
- Transfer \$128,122 to Development Services, and
- Transfer \$118,821 to Debt Service.

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Report

November 27, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street Room 208 Hartford, CT. 06103

Dear Council President Clarke II and Members of the Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee (OMBGA) held a meeting on November 20, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #2

Communication from Mayor Bronin, with accompanying resolution concerning authorization to enter into a twenty-year Power Purchase Agreement with CT Green Bank to reduce the City's electricity cost.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, committee members President Thomas J. Clarke II, Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader, Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings, non-committee council members, Councilman Larry Deutsch and Councilman John Gale.

Also present were, Howard Rifkin, Corporation Counsel, Thea Montanez, Chief of Staff, Melissa McCaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director of Management, Budget and Grants, Joan Barere,

Director of Central Grants Administration and Strategic Partnerships, Nancy Raich, Tax Collector, Leigh Ann Ralls, Acting Director of Finance, Shubhada Kambli, Sustainability Coordinator, Ryan Pierce, Project Manager, Alexandra Beaudoin, Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff & Intergovernmental Affairs, Faith Palmer, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Stewart, Associate Manager, Clean Energy Finance for CT Green Bank and other concerned citizens.

Shubhada Kambli, Sustainability Coordinator and Fiona Stewart, Associate Manager, Clean Energy Finance for CT Green Bank explained the resolution concerning the authorization of the City of Hartford to enter into a twenty-year Power Purchase agreement with CT Green Bank to purchase Virtual Net Metering (VNM) credits from C-TEC Solar in Thompson, CT. C-TEC has developed a solar array that produces renewable energy. The VNM program allows entities that generate surplus electricity to transfer it to municipalities in the form of credits. The City would like to capitalize on the projected cost savings over the life of the agreement of approximately \$30,000 per year.

Ms. Kambli also shared with the OMBGA committee that the agreement with CT Green Bank is a cost savings to the city as well as meets the goals of the Climate Action Plan and the Clean Energy Communities Program which is to reduce energy cost.

Ms. Stewart provided the OMBGA committee with detailed description (see attachment) of the Solar PV System, Key Features if a Virtual Net Metering Credit Agreement, Hartford's Expected Savings per year for twenty years and Benefits to the City of Hartford.

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members, Ms. Kambli and Ms. Stewart concerning potential rate changes and technology advancements. Ms. Stewart informed the committee that she did not anticipate any significant impact to the agreement.

A motion was made by Majority Leader Julio Concepción and seconded by Council President Clarke II to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (5-0-0 Abstain- 1 Absent- Pass)

Chairwoman Thames: Yes

Minority Leader Bermúdez: Yes Council President Clarke II: Yes

Majority Leader Julio Concepción: Yes

Councilwoman Jennings: Yes Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames

Chairwoman of Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee



October 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: Virtual Net Metering Agreement

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to enter into a twenty-year Power Purchase Agreement with CT Green Bank to purchase Virtual Net Metering credits which are expected to reduce the City's electricity costs by approximately \$30,000 per year during the term of the agreement.

Virtual net metering (VNM) allows entities that generate electricity in excess of their needs (known as Customer Hosts) to assign surplus production to the electricity accounts of other entities (known as Beneficial Accounts) to reduce their electric bill through the use of credits. The amount of the credit is equal to the generation charge and a portion of the transmission and distribution charges.

VNM allows municipalities to purchase credits from entities that produce renewable energy and, thus, both reduce their energy costs and create environmental benefits. The City of Hartford proposes to purchase VNM credits from CT Green Bank that are generated by a solar array developed by C-TEC Solar in Thompson, Connecticut. In the first three years of the agreement, the cost of the credits will be no less than 9 cents per kilowatt hour, with total costs estimated at \$200,000 per year, or less, for the initial three years. Costs in later years will vary. The investment in VNM is projected to save the City \$30,000 per year in energy costs over the life of the 20-year agreement.

The purchase of these credits allows the City to reduce the costs of electricity consumption and meet the goals of the Climate Action Plan and the Clean Energy Communities Program. We believe that entering into this agreement allows us to be strong stewards of taxpayer dollars and the environment.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, October 10, 2017

WHEREAS, Connecticut has among the highest electricity rates in the United States and the City of Hartford seeks to reduce its electricity costs while also becoming more climate resilient through the increased use of cost-effective renewable energy, and

WHEREAS, The state's virtual net metering program allows municipalities to benefit from renewable energy installations without requiring a direct connection or ownership of equipment, and

WHEREAS, A solar array in Thompson, Connecticut, developed by C-TEC Solar, generates excess power that enables the purchase of virtual net metering credits by municipalities, including the City of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford proposes to enter into a power purchase agreement with the CT Green Bank to purchase virtual net metering credits associated with the solar array in Thompson, and

WHEREAS, The credits can offset the electricity costs of up to ten different City locations, for total anticipated savings of approximately \$30,000 per year for 20 years, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into a twenty-year Power Purchase Agreement with the CT Green Bank to purchase virtual net metering credits at a rate of not less than 9 cents per kilowatt hour, 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 enter into this contract, 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.

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John V. Bazzano, Town and City Clerk

November 27, 2017

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

Dear Council President and Members of the Council,

The Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee of the Court of Common Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 21s,2017. The meeting was called to order at 5:39 by Council President TJ Clarke. Council President TJ Clarke Chairman of the Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee presided over the meeting; Council Woman, rJo Winch, and Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings also attended.. In addition, Cynthia Lauture of the City of Hartford's Corporation Council's Office as well as Captain James Thody of the Hartford Police Department, Faith Palmer of the Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Chief Reginald Freeman of the Hartford Police Department, and other concerned citizens of the City of Hartford also attended the meeting. The purpose of said meeting was to discuss six of the nine items on the agenda as well as receive the reports of the Hartford Police Department and Hartford Fire Department.

One item discussed at the meeting was:

• RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL ACCEPTS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ATV TASKFORCE AND WILL WORK DILIGENTLY TO IMPLEMENT STRATEGIES TO ERADICATE THE ILLEGAL USE OF ALL-TERRAIN AND OFF ROAD MOTORBIKES IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD. (MAJORITY LEADER CONCEPCIÓN) (ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER GALE) (COUNCILMANSÁNCHEZ) (COUNCILWOMAN THAMES) (ITEM #23 ON AGENDA

Gouncil President Clarke mentioned that the report has been submitted following the introduction, discussion, and assent of a modified ATV ordinance. Colin Billings presented on behalf of the ATV Task force. Colin stated that many of the ATV Task Force's recommendations were incorporated into the new ordinance.

Following the discussion Co-Chair Clarke asked for a motion. Council Member Jennings proffered a motion to send the aforementioned item to Council of Whole with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken 3-0

Individual Committee Member Votes:

Co-Chair Clarke: Yea

Co-Chair Sanchez: Absent

Larry Deutsch, Councilman

James Sánchez, Councilman

rJo Winch, Councilwoman

Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman

Committee Member Jennings: Yea Committee Member Winch: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,

Co-Chair, Thomas, J., Clarke II

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Co-Chair, James "Jimmy" Sanchez

Majority Leader Julio A. Concepción Assistant Majority John Q. Gale Councilman James Sanchez Councilwoman Glendowlyn L.H. Thames COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 11, 2017

WHEREAS, Section 22-120 of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford prohibits the owner of an allterrain vehicle (ATV), mini cycle and/or off road motorbikes to operate or knowingly permit the operation of such vehicle on any street or sidewalk in the City of Hartford or on any public property, including but not limited to school property, playgrounds and parks, within the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-8 of the Municipal Code, which was recently added, restricts the sale of gasoline to operators of ATVs and mini cycles; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford continues to experience the illegal use of all-terrain vehicles and off road motorbikes on our City Streets that has created a public safety hazard to our community and to our police officers who try to intercept these vehicles at high rates of speed on our streets; and

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council commissioned the ATV Taskforce in partnership with the Hartford Police Department to come up with a set of recommendations on how best we, as a city can continue our efforts to combat the illegal use of all-terrain vehicles and off road motorbikes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That after ten months of diligent time and dedication the ATV Taskforce has presented the Court of Common Council with a set of thoughtful recommendations for council to consider and implement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council greatly appreciates and thanks all of the ATV Taskforce members for their time and commitment toward this effort to increase the quality of life for all Hartford residents; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council accepts the recommendations of the ATV Taskforce and will work diligently to implement strategies to eradicate the illegal use of all-terrain and off road motorbikes in the City of Hartford.

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Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader John Q. Gale, Assistant Majority Leader Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader

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The Quality of Life and Public Safety Gommittee of the Court of Gommon Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on November 21ⁿ,2017. The meeting was called to order at 5:39 by Council President TJ Clarke. Council President TJ Clarke Chairman of the Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee presided over the meeting; Council Woman, rJo Winch, and Councilwoman Cynthia Jennings also attended.. In addition, Cynthia Lauture of the City of Hartford's Corporation Council's Office as well as Captain James Thody of the Hartford Police Department, Faith Palmer of the Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Chief Reginald Freeman of the Hartford Police Department, and other concerned citizens of the City of Hartford also attended the meeting. The purpose of said meeting was to discuss six of the nine items on the agenda as well as receive the reports of the Hartford Police Department and Hartford Fire Department.

One item discussed at the meeting was:

• ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE V CONCERNING SNOW AND IGE REMOVAL OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. (MAJORITY LEADER CONCEPCION) (ITEM #21 ON AGENDA from October 23rd, 2017)

Chief Freeman stated that the proposed change introduced by Councilman Concepcion was thoroughly vetted by DPW and the Office of Corporation Counsel. He added that he was in favor of the modifications Councilman Concepcion introduced.

Following the discussion Co-Chair Clarke asked for a motion. Council Member Jennings proffered a motion to send the aforementioned item to Council of Whole with a favorable recommendation; it was seconded by Committee Member Winch.

Vote Taken 3-0

Individual Committee Member Votes:

Co-Chair Clarke: Yea

Co-Chair Sanchez: Absent

Committee Member Jennings: Yea

Committee Member Winch: Yea

Larry Deutsch, Councilman

James Sánchez, Councilman

rJo Winch, Councilwoman

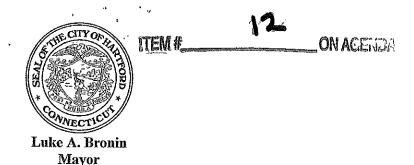
Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman

Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas T. Clarke J. Charle, II. Charle.

Co-Chair, James "Jimmy" Sanchez



October 23, 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: Commission Renaming

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 9B of the Municipal Code. The purpose of the amendment is to change the name of the Hartford Commission on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues to "Hartford LGBTQ+ Commission".

As you know, the Commission had become inactive in 2014 and, earlier this year, I appointed five new members and charged them with reinvigorating the Commission. They have reviewed the governing ordinance and have recommended that the name be changed to the Hartford LGBTQ+ Commission to be as inclusive as possible and to more appropriately reflect the terms used by members of the community. I recommend this change for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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 CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE V, DIVISION 9B OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

October 23, 2017

Be It Hereby Ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford that Chapter 2, Article V, Division 9B of the Municipal Code be amended as follows.

DIVISION 9B – [HARTFORD COMMISSION ON LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER ISSUES] <u>HARTFORD LGBTQ+ COMMISSION</u>

Sec. 2-286. - Established; purpose and duties.

There is hereby established the Hartford <u>LGBTQ+</u> (<u>Lesbian</u>, <u>Gay</u>, <u>Bisexual</u>, <u>Transgender</u>, <u>Queer Plus</u>) Commission [on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues]. The purpose of the Hartford <u>LGBTQ+</u> Commission [on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues] shall be:

- (1) To assist in the elimination of bigotry, discrimination and prejudice against [lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender] persons of the LGBTQ+ community in the City.
- (2) To study the conditions and needs of lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender persons in Hartford and make recommendations to the court of common council regarding City policy, services, goals and administration, and their impact on persons of the LGBTQ+ community [lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and transgender individuals] in Hartford.
- (3) To hold forums or public hearings as it deems necessary for the purpose of gathering information or providing information to the public.
- (4) To provide information to the community concerning the commission's activities and to serve as an educational resource within the community to fight bigotry, discrimination and prejudice on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.
- (5) To serve as a clearinghouse for information and resources regarding issues concerning the [lesbian, gay, bisexual and the transgender] <u>LGBTQ+</u> community.
- (6) The commission shall file periodic reports with the mayor's office and with the town clerk for transmittal to the court of common council, which council shall review said reports for council action.

(Ord. No. 22-92, 4-27-92; Ord. No. 46-03, 9-8-03; Ord. No. 16-04, 10-25-04; Ord. No. 1-12, 1-23-12)

Sec. 2-287. - Membership; terms; offices; meetings; compensation.

- (a) Membership. The Hartford <u>LGBTQ+</u> Commission [on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues] shall be comprised of fifteen (15) members, who shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed as members by the court of common council. The composition of this commission shall reflect, but is not limited to, the diversity of the <u>LGBTQ+ community</u> [lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons] in the [C]city of Hartford and in Hartford County whose backgrounds encompass different ages and abilities, as well as economic, ethnic, racial and social groups. Not less than a majority of the members shall be Hartford electors.
- (b) Compensation. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation.
- (c) Terms. Members shall serve for three-year terms, except of the fifteen (15) members first appointed, five (5) shall serve for a term of one (1) year, five (5) shall serve for a term of two (2) years, and five (5) shall serve for a term of three (3) years. Each member shall serve for the term appointed and until a successor is appointed and confirmed. In the event of death, inability to serve or resignation of any member of the commission, a successor shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council to serve the unexpired period of the term for which such member has been appointed.
- (d) Officers. The commission shall elect a chairperson, a vice-chairperson and a secretary annually from its membership.
- (e) Meetings. The commission shall meet at least once monthly at a time and place to be determined by the commission and at such other times as determined by the chairperson. All members shall be given at least forty-eight (48) hours' notice of all regular or special meetings. A quorum shall consist of a majority of all members of the commission. The commission shall keep records of its meetings.

(Ord. No. 22-92, 4-27-92; Ord. No. 46-03, 9-8-03; Ord. No. 17-04, 10-25-04; Ord. No. 1-12, 1-23-12)

Sec. 2-288. - Funding; clerical assistance.

- a) The commission may apply for any federal, state, local or private grants or funding for all or any of its purposes, and carry out a funding program to achieve its purposes as set forth in section 2-286 above.
- b) The commission may accept, with prior approval of the council, on behalf of the city, contributions, grants, bequests or assistance for all or any of its purposes.
- c) The council may make appropriations to cover the expenses of the commission, including, but not limited to, staff expenses.
- d) The <u>Division of Human Relations of the Finance Department</u> [office of corporation counsel] shall provide such clerical and staff assistance as the commission may need and shall designate one (1) or more representatives from that office as a liaison with the commission for the purposes of coordinating its activities with the activities of other departments, agencies and commissions.

(Ord. No. 22-92, 4-27-92; Ord. No. 46-03, 9-8-03; Ord. No. 30-11, 5-23-11)

Introduced by:

Councilman Julio Concepcion

ITEM#___ON ACENDA

HEADING AND PURPOSE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 31, ARTICLE V OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

October 23, 2017

Be It Hereby Ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford that Chapter 31, Article V – Snow and Ice Removal be amended as follows.

ARTICLE V. - SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Sec. 31-141. - Enforcement of article.

It shall be the duty of the department of police, under the direction of the chief of police, to see that the provisions of this article are complied with.

Sec. 31-142. - Defense available to owners for violations by tenants.

In prosecutions against any property owner arising from a violation of this article, the defendant shall be allowed to show that the occupant of the premises has agreed to conform to the provisions of this article and to save the owner harmless from all fines for violation thereof. Proof of such agreement shall be a sufficient defense to such prosecution.

Sec. 31-143. - Duty of property owner, occupant, etc., to remove snow from sidewalks.

The tenant, occupant, owner or agent of any premises abutting upon any street or public place in the City where there is a sidewalk graded, paved or planked, shall cause all snow to be removed from such sidewalk within six (6) hours after the conclusion of the storm [it has fallen, been deposited or found, or within three (3) hours after sunrise when the snow has fallen in the nighttime].

Sec. 31-144. - Fire hydrants to be cleared.

All snow and ice accumulating in the street higher than a point four (4) inches below the bottom of the lowest outlet on any fire hydrant, and within a radius of three (3) feet from the center of such hydrant, shall be removed by the tenant, occupant, owner or agent of the premises fronting on that portion of the street, within six (6) hours after such snow and ice has ceased to fall or accumulate, or within three (3) hours after sunrise when the snow has fallen in the nighttime.

Cross reference—Fire prevention and protection generally, Ch. 13.

Sec. 31-145. - Removing or sanding ice and sleet on sidewalks.

Whenever any sidewalk mentioned in section 31-143, or any part thereof, is covered with ice, the tenant, occupant, owner or agent of the premises shall, within six (6) hours of the conclusion of a storm [thereafter or within three (3) hours after sunrise] cause such sidewalk to be made safe and convenient by removing the ice therefrom, or by covering the sidewalk with sand or some other suitable substance.

Sec. 31-146. - Penalty for snow and ice violations.

The tenant, occupant, owner or agent of any premises whose duty it is to clear the sidewalk adjacent thereto who violates any of the provisions of sections 31-143 through 31-145, section 31-149, or section 31-151 or who refuses or neglects to comply with such sections shall be subject to the issuance of a citation and a fine of ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00). Each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation.

Sec. 31-147. - Liability of officers and directors of corporations.

Whenever a corporation violates the provisions of sections 31-143 through 31-145, the officers and directors of such corporation shall be personally liable to pay any fine incurred by such corporation.

Sec. 31-148. - Duty of city officers to clear sidewalks owned by city; liability.

It shall be the duty of the Director of Public Works to cause to be cleared and cared for, in accordance with this article, all sidewalks belonging to the City not adjoining the land of private persons, except such sidewalks as are under the special charge of other officers. It shall be the duty of all such city officers to cause to be cleared, in accordance with this article, all sidewalks fronting on land under their official charge. The Director of Public Works and other city officers shall be personally liable to the same penalties for any neglect in relation to the sidewalks under their official charge as are private persons for a like offense.

Sec. 31-149. - Removal of snow from roofs.

Every tenant, occupant, owner or agent having control of a building standing upon or so near the line of a street that snowslides from the roof may endanger public travel shall, within a reasonable time after the termination or abatement of a snowstorm, cause the snow to be removed from the roof thereof, in such manner as will not endanger travelers.

Sec. 31-150. - Snow and ice on public sidewalks.

- (a) State law adopted. The provisions of G.S. § 7-163a are hereby adopted, and are set forth in subsections (b) and (c).
- (b) Liability of city. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. § 13a-149 or any other general statute or special act, the City shall not be liable to any person injured in person or property caused by the presence of ice or snow on a public sidewalk unless the City is the owner or person in possession and control of land abutting such sidewalk, other than land used as a highway or street provided the City shall be liable for its affirmative acts with respect to such sidewalk.

- (c) Liability, duty of abutting landowner:
- (1) The owner or person in possession and control of land abutting a public sidewalk shall have the same duty of care with respect to the presence of ice or snow on such sidewalk toward the portion of the sidewalk abutting his property as the municipality had prior to the effective date of this section adopted pursuant to the provisions of G.S. § 7-163a and shall be liable to persons injured in person or property where a breach of such duty is the proximate cause of such injury;
- (2) No action to recover damages for injury to the person or to property caused by the presence of ice or snow on a public sidewalk against a person who owns or is in possession and control of land abutting a public sidewalk shall be brought but within two (2) years from the date when the injury is first sustained.

Sec. 31-151. - Throwing snow and ice into streets.

No person shall throw or put, or cause to be thrown or put, any snow or ice from any private property or from any area in the rear or outside of the legally laid-out sidewalk into any street in the City that creates a safety hazard.

Sec. 31-152. - Additional Code sections.

Tenants, occupants, owners or agents of any premises should refer to Chapter 15, Article I of this Code for additional duties regarding garbage and refuse.

Secs. 31-153—31-175. - Reserved.

REPLACEMENT ITEM#_____ON AGENDA

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CITY OF HARTFORD 550 MAIN STREET HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President Julio A. Concepción, Majority Leader John Q. Gale, Assistant Majority Leader Wildaliz Bermúdez, Minority Leader

John V. Bazzano, Town and City Clerk

Report

Larry Deutsch, Councilman Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman James Sánchez, Councilman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman rJo Winch, Councilwoman

November 13, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street, Suite 208 Hartford, Ct 06103

Dear Council President and Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Labor, Education, Workforce, & Youth Development Committee held its regularly scheduled meeting on October 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the following:

Present:

Chairwoman Winch, Councilwoman Jennings and Councilman Deutsch.

Referred Item:

- Resolution Reducing the BOE transportation budget to be reduced for transportation within intra-district school choice, thereby instituting more crossing guards for our school district (Councilwoman Bermudez). Item was # 28, on the May 23rd, Council Agenda.
 - Motion made by Councilwoman Winch (Second: Councilwoman Jennings) to send this item to the full body without any recommendation.

Roll Call Vote:

2 – Yes; 0 – No; 0 – Abstain, 2 – Absent.

Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Council woman rJo Winch

Chair of the Labor, Education, Workforce, & Youth Development Committee

INTRODUCED BY: MINORITY LEADER WILDALIZ BERMUDEZ

Court of Common Council City of Hartford May 23, 2016

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford spends \$20 million on transportation of City's students to different schools, allowing some of them to take a bus instead of walking to their neighborhood school, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the BOE transportation budget be reduced for transportation within intra-district school choice, thereby instituting more crossing guards for our school district.

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) <u>Registration required.</u> 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) <u>Exempt Owners</u>. 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) <u>Fees.</u> 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) <u>Term and renewal</u>. 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: | INTRODUCED BY:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

Council President Thomas J. Clarke II

City of Hartford, March 27, 2017

HEADING AND **PURPOSE**

Section 4-5. This section shall apply to all establishments that sell alcoholic beverages, including bars, nightclubs, and lounges, but not restaurants that do not have separate bar service. After 6 p.m. until closing time, a owners and operators of all such establishments shall cause trained security staff to use electronic identification scanners at all entrances to detect false identification and prevent entry by underage customers. The purpose of this section is to protect minors by helping to prevent sale of alcohol to minors carrying false identification.

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

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CITY OF HARTFORD 550 MAIN STREET HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



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Report

Larry Deutsch, Councilman Cynthia R. Jennings, Councilwoman James Sánchez, Councilman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Councilwoman rJo Winch, Councilwoman

November 13, 2017

Honorable Thomas J. Clarke II, Council President & Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street, Suite 208 Hartford, Ct 06103

Dear Council President and Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Labor, Education, Workforce, & Youth Development Committee held its regularly scheduled meeting on October 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the following:

Present:

Chairwoman Winch, Councilwoman Jennings and Councilman Deutsch.

Referred Item:

1. Resolution requesting clarification about the jobs at the Hartford Stadium and the Living Wage Ordinance. (Council President Clarke). Item # 31, on the February 14th, Council Agenda.

- Motion made by Councilwoman Winch (Second: Councilwoman Jennings) to send this item to the full body without any recommendation.
- Roll Call Vote:

2 – Yes; 0 – No; 0 – Abstain, 2 – Absent. Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilwoman rJo Winch

Chair of the Labor, Education, Workforce, & Youth Development Committee

INTRODUCED BY:

Council President Thomas J. Clarke II

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, February 14, 2017

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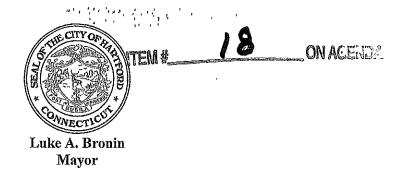
- WHEREAS, On February 2, 2017 the Hartford Courant reported that the Yard Goats Baseball Team does not intend to pay an hourly Living Wage to employees hired for the coming baseball season as required by the Municipal Code; and
- WHEREAS, This is just another in a long line of broken promises to the residents of Hartford about the economic benefits they would receive from pouring over \$100 million in taxpayer funds into one of the most expensive minor league baseball stadiums in the country; and
- WHEREAS, The previous administration entered into a poorly negotiated deal for the development of the stadium for the Yard Goats with the promise of good jobs for city residents, new private economic development to grow the tax base and contracts for small city and MWBE contractors; and
- WHEREAS, Even after the new Council and the new Mayor partnered last year to infuse millions more of tax payer dollars into the stadium development, completion deadlines were missed, hiring goals fell short and potential liabilities for the City continued to grow; and
- WHEREAS, As of today, we are still unsure how many millions of dollars' city taxpayers will have to pay to cover construction completion, litigation and the cost of land taken by eminent domain for the stadium development; now therefore be it
- **RESOLVED,** That the Court of Common Council request clarification on the following items regarding jobs at Dunkin Donuts Stadium:
 - 1. Will the Yard Goats pay the city's Living Wage to those working at the at the stadium?
 - 2. Will the Yard Goats adhere to all provisions of the Living Wage Ordinance?
 - 3. If not, does the Mayor's Office intend to take enforcement action against the Yard Goats, to ensure workers are paid a Living Wage?
 - 4. Have the Yard Goats promised to hire a certain number of bona fide Hartford residents?
 - 5. If so, how many and how will this promise be enforced?

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council stands ready to work with the Mayor's Office to help provide Hartford residents with true concrete economic benefits from this development and the council stands ready to take the necessary steps to ensure residents are not left out.

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June 12, 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: Defined Contribution Plan

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached, for your consideration, please find an ordinance establishing the defined contribution pension plan design and other requirements for all non-union employees hired on or after July 1, 2017. The Court of Common Council authorized the development of this plan by ordinance dated January 23, 2017.

The attached ordinance includes the following design elements:

Employee contribution:

Not less than 3.0%

Employer contribution:

Not less than 3.0% with matching of employee contribution not-to-exceed 7.0%

Employee vesting:

Year one: Year two:

0% 20%

Year three:

50%

Year four:

80%

Year five:

100%

Non-union employees hired on or after July 1, 2017 will have the option to participate in this defined contribution plan, as they do with the current defined benefit plan. Employees who choose to participate will be required to contribute a minimum of 3% of their salary to the plan with the ability to increase their contribution to the maximum amount allowed by the Internal Revenue Service. The City will match the employee's contribution up to a maximum of 7%. The defined contribution plan participants will gain a vested interest in the contributions of both the employee and the City in accordance with the schedule shown above.

As you are aware, the Pension Commission is required to administer all of the City's retirement plans and, in accordance with this requirement, will administer this defined contribution plan. The City Treasurer and members of my Administration are available to assist you in reviewing this ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

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

SUBSTITUTE

Introduced by:

by: Mayor Luke A. Bronin

HEADING AND PURPOSE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2A - PENSIONS, SECTION 2A-5 AND CREATING NEW SECTIONS 2A-45, 2A-46, AND 2A-47 OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

September 11, 2017

Be It Hereby Ordained by the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford that Chapter 2A, Section 2A-5 of the Municipal Code of Hartford be amended as follows and that Sections 2A-45, 2A-46 and 2A-47 be added as follows:

Article I. General Provisions

Sec. 2A-5. - Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed thereto below, unless, and then only to the extent, a subsequent definition specifically provides for a different meaning with respect to any such term within the context of a particular section or subsection.

- (1) " Actual service " shall consist, for purposes of establishing both yested (i.e. nonforfeitable) rights to, and eligibility to receive, any benefits provided herein which are conditioned upon the completion of such service, of the following:
 - a. Any period or periods during which a member provided service to the city, library or board by working a full time schedule and for which a member has contributed the requisite portions of his or her earnings to the fund;
 - b. Any of those periods referenced in subsections (1)b.1 through 5 below, during which a member provided service to the city, library or board by working anything less than a full time schedule, and for which a member has contributed the requisite portions of his or her earnings to the fund, including:
 - 1. Periods of employment in a position in the unclassified service of the city for which the member has timely elected to receive credit for such service pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance Number 50-98;
 - 2. Periods of employment with the city during which a member worked at least twenty (20) hours a week and was represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Municipal Lawyers Association;
 - 3. Periods of employment during which a member is, or was, classified as a part time professional employee of the library;
 - 4. Periods of employment during which a member is, or was, classified as a part time employee of the board; and
 - 5. Periods of employment after returning from maternity or paternity leave, so long

- 5. Periods of employment after returning from maternity or paternity leave, so long as the member worked a full time schedule immediately prior to such leave and subsequently returned to full time employment, provided that the member was eligible for, and timely elected to receive, credit for such service pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 18-03.
- c. Any period or periods of qualified USERRA service as defined in section 2A-7, regardless of whether a member has purchased or otherwise elected to receive USERRA credit pursuant to section 2A-7(d); and
- d. Any period or periods during which an employee received weekly payments representing income replacement under the Workers' Compensation Act.
- (2) A member's " basic weekly pay " shall mean the gross wages that a member would be paid per week based upon the rate of pay used to calculate the lump sum amounts paid to a member on account of accrued vacation and sick time upon his or her termination of employment.
- (3) A " break-in-service " results from any absence, without pay, which lasts more than ninety (90) consecutive days, unless:
 - a. The break-in-service is longer than the period of the employee's prior service, and the member applies for, and is granted, a leave of absence, by the Hartford Court of Common Council;
 - b. The break-in-service is equal to or less than the period of the employee's prior service, and the member applies for, and is granted, a leave of absence by the Pension Commission, provided that an employee whose request for a leave of absence has been denied by the Pension Commission shall have the right, within thirty (30) days of the denial, to apply to the Court of Common Council, which shall make a de novo determination of the employee's request for a leave of absence;
 - c. The absence is caused by a disability that routinely requires the regular attendance of a physician;
 - d. The member was receiving weekly payments representing income replacement under the Worker's Compensation Act during the period of absence; or
 - e. The absence resulted from the member's provision of qualified USERRA service as defined in section 2A-7(a), and, after completing that service, the member returned immediately to city, library or board employment.
- (4) " Continuous service " shall refer to any period of actual service that is not interrupted by a break-in-service.
- (5) " Creditable accrued sick time" shall mean that period of time commencing with the member's effective date of retirement, for which such member would continue to receive his or her basic weekly pay if such member were to receive amounts paid thereto for accrued sick time upon his or her termination of employment on a weekly basis, as opposed to in a lump sum, without regard to whether any days in such time period are or have been designated holidays for active employees.
- (6) "Creditable accrued vacation time" shall mean that period of time between the day following a member's last day of work and the date upon which such member's last day of work would have occurred had such member remained an active employee and received payments for his or her accrued vacation on a weekly basis, as opposed to a lump sum basis, both dates inclusive.
- (7) " Creditable accrued vacation and sick time " shall mean the sum of a member's

creditable accrued vacation time and creditable accrued sick time.

- (8) "Creditable actual service" shall include all actual service except: (1) periods of qualified USERRA service for which the member has not purchased or received USERRA credit pursuant to section 2A-7(d); and (2) periods of absence in excess of ninety (90) days, even if such absences do not constitute a break in service for purposes of determining continuity of service, if during such absence the member was receiving neither weekly payments representing income replacement under the Workers' Compensation Act nor earnings from which employee contributions are properly deducted pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
- (9) A member's " date of retirement " shall be established by an application signed by both the member's appointing officer and either the mayor (or his or her designee), or the superintendent of schools (or his or her designee) for employees of the board of education. Payment of a member's retirement allowance shall be subject to the approval of the pension commission as to the member's eligibility and the amount of his or her allowance.
- (10) Employee references. For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall be utilized in referencing employees.
 - a. "NBU-GG employees" shall refer to those nonbargaining unit general government employees of the city who are not: (a) sworn police officers or firefighters, (b) board employees, or (c) library employees[, who are members of the fund.]
 - 1. "Pre-2011 NBU-GG employees" shall refer to those NBU-GG employees whose initial date of hire with the City is before January 1, 2011, who are members of the fund.
 - 2. "Post-2011 NBU-GG employees" shall refer to those NBU-GG employees whose initial date of hire with the City is on or after January 1, 2011, but before September 11, 2017, who are members of the fund.
 - 3. "Post-2017 NBU-GG employees" shall refer to those NBU-GG employees whose initial date of hire with the City is on or after July 1, 2017, who shall not be eligible to be members of the fund.
 - b. " CWA employees " shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Communication Workers of America.
 - c. " CHPEA employees " shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the City of Hartford Professional Employees' Association.
 - 1. " Pre-1997 CHPEA employees " shall refer to those CHPEA employees who were hired into the CHPEA bargaining unit before October 1, 1997.
 - 2. "Post-1997 CHPEA employees" shall refer to those CHPEA employees hired into the bargaining unit on or after October 1, 1997 but before June 23, 2003.
 - 3. " 2003 CHPEA employees " shall refer to those CHPEA employees whose initial date of employment with the city is on or after June 23, 2003.
 - d. "HMEA employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Hartford Municipal Employees' Association ("HMEA").
 - 1. "Post-2003 HMEA employees" shall refer to those HMEA employees whose

- initial date of hire with the city is on or after July 1, 2003.
- 2. "Pre-2003 HMEA employees" shall refer to those HMEA employees whose initial date of hire with the city is before July 1, 2003.
- 3. "ISD HMEA employees" shall refer to those members of the fund to whom all of the following criteria apply:
 - (i) Where HMEA employees, employed in the city's former Information Services Department ("ISD"), immediately prior to their layoff or retirement from city employment;
 - (ii) Whose job duties in the ISD were transferred to the city's Metro Hartford Information Services Department ("MHIS");
 - (iii) Were not offered comparable employment in MHIS within twenty-four (24) months following their layoff or retirement;
 - (iv) Whose last day worked with the city due to subsection (ii), above was between the dates of July 1, 2002 and May 30, 2003; and
 - (v) Are currently receiving a retirement allowance from the fund as of June 9, 2008, the date on which the court of common council adopted a resolution affirming the terms of a settlement agreement between HMEA and the city.
- e. " MLA employees " shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the City of Hartford Municipal Lawyers' Association.
- f. "NBU-P/F employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are sworn police officers not represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Hartford Police Union and those employee members of the fund who are firefighters who are not represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 760, International Association of Firefighters.
 - 1. "Pre-1997 NBU-P/F employees" shall refer to those NBU-P/F employees who were employed as sworn police officers or firefighters before December 31, 1996.
 - 2. "Post-1997 NBU-P/F employees" shall refer to those NBU-P/F employees who were employed as sworn police officers or firefighters on or after December 31, 1996 but before January 1, 2011.
 - 3. "2011 NBU-P/F employees" shall refer to those NBU-P/F employees whose initial date of hire with the City is on or after January 1, 2011.
- g. "HPU sworn officers" shall refer to those employee members of the Fund who are sworn police officers represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Hartford Police Union.
 - 1. "Post-1999 HPU sworn officers" shall refer to those HPU sworn officers hired after July 1, 1999.
 - 2. " Pre-1999 HPU sworn officers " shall refer to those HPU sworn officers hired on or before July 1, 1999.
- h. "HPU non-sworn employees" shall refer to those employee members of the Fund who are not sworn police officers but are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Hartford Police Union.
- i. "Local 760 employees" shall refer to those employee members of the Fund who are

represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 760, International Association of Firefighters.

- 1. " Post-2003 Local 760 employees " shall refer to those Local 760 employees hired into the bargaining unit on or after July 1, 2003.
- 2. " Pre-2003 Local 760 employees " shall refer to those Local 760 employees hired into the bargaining unit before July 1, 2003.
- j. " SCGA employees " shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by the School Crossing Guards' Association.
- k. " NBU-HPL employees " shall refer to those nonbargaining unit employees of the library who are members of the fund.
- 1. "Local 1716-HPL employees" shall refer to those employees of the library who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 1716 who are members of the fund.
- m. " NBU-BOE employees " shall refer to those nonbargaining unit employees of the board who are members of the fund.
- n. "Local 78 employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 78, Hartford Schools Support Supervisors.
- o. "Local 82 employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 82, Hartford Education Support Personnel.
- p. "Local 818 employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 818, Building and Grounds Supervisors.
- q. "Local 1018A/B employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 1018A/B, Hartford Federation of School Health Professionals who are members of the fund.
- r. "Local 1018C employees" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 1018C, Hartford Federation of School Secretaries.
- s. "Local 1018D employees" shall refer to those employee members of the Fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 1018D, Hartford Federation of Corridor Supervisors.
- t. "Local 2221 employees" shall refer to those employee members of the Fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 2221, Hartford Federation of Paraprofessionals.
- u. "HFCDA-BOE" shall refer to those employee members of the fund who are represented for collective bargaining purposes by Local 1018F, AFT, AFL-CIO.
- (11) A member's " effective date of retirement " shall be the day after the period of time following such member's last day of work which is equal to his or her creditable accrued vacation time.
- (12) A member's " final average pay " shall be based upon his or her gross earnings only to the extent that: (1) the provisions of this chapter specifically provide for his or her final average pay to be calculated in that manner; and (2) such final average pay is calculated

in accordance with subsection (14). Unless, and then only to the extent, this chapter provides that a member's final average pay is to be based upon his or her gross earnings over a stated period of time, a member's final average pay shall not include any amounts paid to such member upon or by reason of his or her termination of employment either for accrued sick time or as a severance payment.

- (13) The "final average pay period" for each member shall mean those total number of such member's final years of service from which some subset thereof is to be used for purposes of determining such member's final average pay. Thus, for example, if a member is entitled to have his or her pension benefit calculated on the basis of his or her highest two (2) of his or her last five (5) years of gross earnings, then such member's final average pay period is such five (5) year period. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (14) below, a member's final average pay period shall end on the day prior to his or her effective date of retirement.
- (14) Commencing on August 1, 1993, a member's "gross earnings" with respect to any year of service shall mean and include all amounts payable by the city directly to such member for services rendered by such member to the city (including, but not limited to, any and all of its agencies, commissions, boards, offices and departments) within such time period which amounts shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, such member's basic salary, payments for or in lieu of overtime, longevity pay, and retroactive pay increases, as and to the extent each is attributable to such services, but, except as provided in this subsection below, shall not include either any amounts paid for services rendered in some other time period or any payments made to a member upon and by reason of his or her termination of employment (including, but not limited to any and all severance payments and lump sum payments for accrued vacation and sick time).

Calculation of gross earnings. Commencing on August 1, 1993, any member whose final average pay is based upon his or her gross earnings over a stated period of time shall have his or her gross earnings adjusted to account for any lump sum payments made to such member for accrued vacation and sick time upon his or her termination of employment by, and only by, adjusting such member's final average pay period such that the last day of that period corresponds to what such member's last day of work would have been had such member continued to work beyond his or her actual last day of work for that period of time equal to his or her creditable accrued vacation and sick time; providing however, that nothing herein shall be construed to permit or require the adjustment of the length of time included within a member's final average pay period. Thus, expressed as a formula, and subject to the foregoing provisos, a member whose final average pay is based on gross earnings shall have his or her final average pay period adjusted as follows:

Last averag	day e pay	of period	final_	Last day of work	+	Creditable accrued vacation and sick time

(15) Commencing on August 1, 1993, a member's " last day of work" prior to retirement shall be that date designated by the city as the last day on which he or she was expected to provide services to the city, which, in any case, shall not include any period of time that an employee is carried on the city's books and records as an employee to account for the lump sum payment of accrued vacation time to such member in connection with his or her termination of employment with the city. A member's bona fide absence from

work on any date under and in accordance with the city's personnel rules and/or such member's collective bargaining agreement, as applicable, shall not be considered a basis for determining that such member was not expected to provide services to the city on such date.

- (16) " Member " shall mean an individual who, by virtue of his or her employment with the city, library or board:
 - a. Is, or was, eligible to participate in the fund;
 - b. Has in fact participated in the fund by satisfying applicable employee contributions;
 - c. Is either: (1) receiving an allowance provided hereunder; (2) eligible to receive an allowance provided hereunder at some future date certain; (3) continuing to provide employee contributions to the fund as provided hereunder; or (4) no longer providing employee contributions but has not withdrawn such contributions pursuant to the terms hereof.
- (17) " Qualified surviving spouse " shall mean the surviving spouse of a member who shall have been married to the member prior to his or her retirement, which, for purposes of this definition only, shall be deemed to mean the date of termination of active employment, including any service attributable to creditable accrued vacation time.
- (18) "401(a) Plan Participants" shall refer to all Post-2017 NBU-GG employees who elect to contribute to the City's 401(a) plan, pursuant to Section 2A-46.

NEW) Section 2A-45. - Section 401(a) Plan Established

There is hereby established a City of Hartford Section 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan ("401(a) Plan"). Post-2017 NBU-GG employees are not eligible to be members of the MERF, but may, upon hire, elect to participate in the City's 401(a) plan.

(NEW) Section 2A-46. — Contributions

- (a) Internal Revenue Code Section 414(h) Pick-up Contributions. The 401(a) Plan will contain a pick-up contribution provision as defined under section 414(h) of the Internal Revenue Code subject to and in accordance with the terms set forth in this subsection. The purpose of this provision is to enable pick-up contributions to the plan to be made in such a manner that the value of such contributions are neither subject to the payment of federal income taxes until such contributions are distributed to such employees, nor withholding of such taxes when such contributions are made to the extent permitted by the Internal Revenue Code. The pick-up contributions of those members who are expressly identified as "401(a) Plan Participants" shall be governed by subsections (a) and (b) of this section.
 - a. Post-2017 NBU-GG employees shall elect, within thirty days of the date of hire whether to:
 - a. make a one-time irrevocable election to not participate in the 401(a) Plan; or
 - b. elect for the City to make pick-up contributions in an amount which must be a

minimum of three percent (3.0%) of the 401(a) Plan Participant's base rate of pay ("Pay"). The election to participate and the percentage amount of pick-up contributions, if applicable, is irrevocable and cannot thereafter be changed during the term of that individual's employment as a NBU-GG employee.

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- b. The city shall pick up and deposit to the 401(a) Plan all 401(a) Plan Participants' pick-up contributions, as elected by the 401(a) Plan Participant, in accordance with paragraph (i) of this subsection. Nothing herein shall relieve any 401(a) Plan Participant from any obligation to make pick-up contributions to the 401(a) Plan, it being the intent and effect hereof instead, that the city shall deposit each 401(a) plan participant's pick-up contributions to the 401(a) Plan in lieu of such employee making such contributions.
- c. In consideration of the city picking up such pick-up contributions, 401(a) Plan Participants shall have their Pay reduced by an amount equal to the contributions so picked up by the city.
- (b) City Contributions. The city shall pay on into the designated account, on an annual basis, an amount equal to the proportion of pay contributed by each 401(a) Plan Participant, provided that the city contribution shall not exceed seven percent (7.0%) of the base rate of pay the 401(a) Plan Participant.

(NEW) Section 2A-47. – Vesting

(a) A 401(a) Plan Participant's rights to and/or interests in the city contributions, as set forth in Section 2A-46 (b), vest upon completion of the following schedule of continuous years of service, regardless of age:

Year one (1):	zero percent (0.0%)
Year two (2):	twenty percent (20.0%)
Year three (3):	fifty percent (50.0%)
Year four (4):	eighty percent (80.0%)
Year five (5):	one hundred percent (100.0%)

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.



Mayor

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October 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 of Director of Emergency Services & Telecommunications

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Susan M. Webster, ENP, RPL as Director of Emergency Services & Telecommunications, effective October 2, 2017.

The position of Director of Emergency Services & Telecommunications requires an individual with a variety of skills and experience. Ms. Webster brings 30 years of EMS management and communication experience to the job. For the past ten years, she has served as the Executive Director of the Northwest Connecticut Public Safety Communication Center. Based in Waterbury, the Center serves the twenty-two towns and cities in the Central Naugatuck and Housatonic Valleys with emergency communications. Ms. Webster began her career as a paramedic, became a telecommunicator, and moved on to progressively more responsible positions in EMS operations and communications. Her resume is attached for your review.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

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

INTRODUCED BY: Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

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

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Susan M. Webster, ENP, RPL to the position of Director of Emergency Services & Telecommunications for the City of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Webster has 30 years of experience in emergency medical services and public safety communications and, most recently, has served as the Executive Director of a regional 911 communications hub serving 22 cities and towns, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Susan M. Webster as the city of Hartford's Director of Emergency Services & Telecommunications.

October 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 of Director of Health & Human Services

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Liany Elba Arroyo, MPH, CPH as Director of Health & Human Services, effective December 4, 2017.

Ms. Arroyo earned a Master of Public Health from Columbia University and has held fellowships with the Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement and the National Hispana Leadership Institute. She has held positions with the Center for Disease Control & Prevention, the Cobb County Board of Health, and the National Council of La Raza. Most recently, she was the Director of Partnerships for the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy. Her resume is attached for your review.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, October 10, 2017

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Liany Elba Arroyo, MPH, CPH to the position of Director of Health & Human Services for the City of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arroyo holds a Master of Public Health Degree from Columbia University and has held a variety of responsible positions in public health and public policy throughout the country for 18 years, most recently as the Director of Partnerships for the National Campaign to Prevent Teen & Unplanned Pregnancy, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Liany Elba Arroyo as Director of Health & Human Services for the City of Hartford.



September 11, 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: Commission on Refugee & Immigrant Affairs

Dear Council President Clarke:

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my appointment of Maryam Bitar, Cheryl Zeiner, Mubera Becirovic, and Artan Martinaj as members of the Commission on Refugee and Immigrant Affairs.

The mission of the Commission on Refugee and Immigrant Affairs is to create a means for refugee and immigrant voices to be heard and understood, to facilitate civic engagement among refugees and immigrants, and to recognize and legitimize issues of importance to new arrivals to the City of Hartford. The Commission consists of at least 11 and no more than 21 members who shall serve two-year terms. A majority of members must be Hartford residents. Membership is not restricted to citizens, but a majority of members must be U.S. citizens.

Maryam Bitar is a Syrian native who worked as a teacher in Damascus and recently graduated cum laude from Trinity College with a degree in International and Middle Eastern Studies. She is bilingual in Arabic and English. Cheryl Zeiner worked for 32 years as a vocational rehabilitation counselor and holds a Master's degree in Special Education. She volunteers extensively with programs that assist individuals and recently has been assisting the refugee communities of Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Artan Martinaj was born in Albania and arrived in the United States as a political refugee in 1991. He is employed as the Business Agent and Financial Secretary for the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 425 and currently serves as President of the Albanian Community Center. Mubera Becirovic is an immigrant and refugee from Bosnia. She co-founded the Bosnian-American Youth Association of Hartford and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in International Relations/Political Science at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies.

Resumes/bios are attached for your review. I am pleased to be able to appoint these outstanding individuals to this important commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Luke A. Bronin

Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, September 11, 2017

WHEREAS, The mission of the Commission on Refugee and Immigrant Affairs is to create a means for refugee and immigrant voices to be heard and understood, to facilitate civic engagement among refugees and immigrants, and to recognize and legitimize issues of importance to new arrivals to the city of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed four individuals to the Commission, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council herby confirms the appointment of the following individuals to the Commission on Refugee and Immigrant Affairs:

Mariam Bitar (non-citizen) 27 Winchester Drive, West Hartford 06117 (Filling a vacancy for a term expiring in 2019)

Artan Martinaj (D) 355 Goodwin Street, East Hartford 06108 (Filling a vacancy for a term expiring in 2019)

Mubera Becirovic (D) 301 Brown Street, Hartford 06114 (Replacing Hazmira Udovcic for a term expiring in 2018)

Cheryl Zeiner (D) 80 Wethersfield Avenue, Hartford 06114 (Replacing Dean Roden for a term expiring in 2018)

Introduced by:

Councilman Larry Deutsch

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HEADING AND PURPOSE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VIII OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

November 27, 2017

Be it ordained by the court of Common Council of the City of Hartford that Chapter VIII of the Municipal Code of Hartford be amended, adding Section 7, as follows:

Sec. 7: Department of Public Libraries

Responsibilities and functions of the Hartford Public Library, pursuant to Special Act No. 26 approved by the Connecticut Legislature in 1925 and provisions of the Conn. Gen. Stat. at *Title 11 Public Libraries and Museums* Sec. 11-32, shall henceforth be operated under the Department of Public Libraries by a Board of Trustees appointed pursuant to Sec. 11-33.

- (a) Organization. This ordinance establishes said Department as follows:
 - (1) Statement of Purpose. The City of Hartford recognizes the right of all its residents to have full and unlimited access to information and knowledge so that they can meet the needs of daily living, have the opportunities for self-education, and participate successfully in self-government.
 - (2) Director. The Department of Public Libraries (DPL) organized generally under Sec. 2-81 of this Chapter, whose Department director shall be appointed and overseen by a Board of Trustees pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 11-33, which director and such other officers and employees as provided by the Council in the annual budget to perform its duties and as outlined in Chapter XI of the Charter of the City of Hartford. In the absence of the director, the assistant director of public libraries shall serve as acting director of public libraries.
 - (3) Divisions within the Department of Public Libraries.
 - (i) Branch division. There shall be a branch division within the

 Department of Public Libraries, the manager of which shall be a
 librarian with prior library branch management and facilities
 experience who will ensure the delivery of equivalent library
 services throughout the City of Hartford.
 - (ii) Programming division. There shall be a programming division within the department of public libraries that is tasked with developing and providing programming to library users in concert with the needs of Hartford's schools and neighborhoods, which

- needs are to be determined in conjunction with the Community Advisory Committee.
- (iii) Hartford History Center. There shall be a division to service the special collection within the Hartford Public Library known as the Hartford History Center, which shall be operated by a librarian with experience relative to collections and preservation.
- (iv) Maintenance division of grounds, library buildings, and vehicles. There shall be a division responsible for the maintenance of all buildings, grounds, and vehicles related to providing services by public libraries in coordination with Board of Education and department of works.

(b) Board of Library Trustees.

- (1) Appointment and Membership. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Charter to the contrary and pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 11-33, the Board shall consist of nine (9) Trustees, (one appointment by each member of Court of Common Council), one by the Mayor, with a chair elected by that board. This Board shall direct the expenditures of all money placed at its disposal by the City or from whatever source derived for the operation of the Hartford Public Library system.
- (2) General Duties of the Board. Said Board of Trustees shall meet publicly, make and enforce such rules and regulations as it may deem proper for the management, protection and preservation of the properties of said library, acting on behalf of the residents of the City of Hartford. Said Board shall recommend the compensation of executive officers and employees to be established in the library budget; make appointments and promotions to the positions of librarian, assistant librarians, and managers of the different library divisions.
- (3) Terms. In January 2018 and in every municipal election year thereafter (starting in 2019), the Council shall appoint five (5) residents of the City of Hartford to hold office as Trustees for four (4) years from the date of their appointment; the Mayor shall appoint one(1) residents of the City of Hartford to hold office as Trustee for four (4) years from the date of her/his appointment; and the Board of Education shall appoint two (2) residents of the City of Hartford to hold office as Trustees for four (4) years from the date of their appointment.

(c) Library Finances.

- (1) Library Appropriations. Upon submission of a proposed budget to the Hartford City Council, the City shall annually appropriate a sum of money for the purpose aforesaid, and may from time to time appropriate in addition thereto, sums of money for building sites, repairs, improvements in real estate or new buildings. All funds which have been or shall be appropriated, and all funds received from any other source for such purposes, shall be kept by the City Treasurer as a separate fund in the 501(c)3 to be paid out only on the order of the Board of Library Trustees as herein provided for.
- (2) Financial management; debts exceeding available funds prohibited. The financial affairs of the Hartford Public Library shall be overseen by the Director of the

Department of Public Libraries, the Board of Trustees, and the Finance Director of the City of Hartford, such that there is minimal duplication of services within any City or library department, and such that there is maximum sharing of (neighborhood) school library branch staffing with the Hartford Board of Education. In no case shall the Board of Trustees incur any debt for the free public library beyond the amount of current funds on hand and the previous unexpended appropriations of the City budget, or as otherwise available and appropriated by use of funds invested or on deposit with its 501(c) 3 non profit or foundation.

(3) Grants, gifts, legacies for library purposes. The Department of Public Libraries is hereby authorized and empowered to accept any and all grants, gifts, legacies or property, either real or personal, of any kind or class, that may be granted, given or left to it, by entity, will or devise; and the Board of Trustees of the Hartford Public Library is hereby given full power and authority, as trustees or otherwise, to invest, reinvest and to have complete direction and management over all such funds or property of any class or kind, already granted or given, or which may hereafter be granted or given to said free public library of the City of Hartford, and may, in connection therewith, operate and manage the 501(c)(3) non-profit or foundation operated within the Hartford Public Library, for the purpose of the management, investment and reinvestment of said funds or property in trust for the benefit of the Department of the Hartford Public Library and the residents of the City of Hartford. The City Treasurer shall separately have a seat upon the board of the 501(c)(3) non-profit.

(d) Community Advisory Committee.

(1) Establishment. There shall be a Community Advisory Committee to assist with developing the library's vision and deployment of services to the Hartford community. In addition to meeting monthly, the Advisory Board shall meet once a quarter with the Board of Trustees to convey what it is hearing and learning in the neighborhoods relative to delivery of services to the (neighborhood) branches and schools, in particular. The Neighborhood Revitalization Zone where the library branch is located shall choose one representative to serve on the Community Advisory Committee, as well as other community based representatives appointed by the Board of Trustees.

INTRODUCED BY: Council President Thomas J. Clarke II

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

WHEREAS, Minority Construction Council is a not-for-profit trade organization representing and minority business enterprises in the City of Hartford, and

WHEREAS, Minority Construction Council intends to hold their Annual Holiday Business Exchange Event in the City Hall Atrium located at 550 Main Street in Hartford, CT, and

WHEREAS, the Holiday Business Exchange Event is scheduled for November 28, 2017; 6:00pm until 8:30pm, and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford has agreed to act as a sponsor for the Holiday Business Exchange Event; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford will not incur or absorb any expense generated by sponsoring the Holiday Business Exchange Event; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford's sponsorship will result in a reduction of the Atrium rental fee, and

WHEREAS, The Minority Construction Council intends for all event proceeds to cover event costs and contribute to a scholarship fund for Hartford High School students; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the requested sponsorship of the Minority Construction Council Annual Holiday Business Exchange Event, on 28th Day, November 2017.

REPLACEMENT FOR AGENDA ITEM #24

INTRODUCED BY: Council President Thomas J. Clarke II COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council hereby takes issue to any 'City Employee' who retains employment with any other town or municipality while still employed by The City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The perception of such actions at this time is viewed as showing favoritism and a decrease in employee moral; therefore, now, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council request that The Administration implement a policy that will prohibit the retention of any city worker currently employed by another town or municipality; and be it further

RESOLVED, That The Administration provide the Court of Common Council with a copy of this policy within 30 days of the passage of this resolution.



INTRODUCED BY:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

Councilwoman Cynthia R. Jennings

City of Hartford, November 27, 2017

HARTFORD SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council referred the resolution by Mayor Bronin 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 to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability and Public Works, Parks and Environment Committees at its April 10, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee voted unanimously to return Mayor Bronin's resolution requesting that Council favorably consider authorizing the City of Hartford enter into a Ten-Year agreement with the MIRA to provide for the disposal of the City's solid waste and recycling stream, to Council with no recommendation at its June 7, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council entered Mayor Bronin's resolution on its Consent Calendar at its June 26, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council received a Resolution introduced by Councilman James Sanchez opposing the appointment of a new MIRA operator and authorizing the creation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force to develop options other than the current trash disposal agreement with MIRA at its September 25, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council referred the MIRA opposition resolution to the Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee for its review and recommendation on September 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee unanimously voted in favor of the Resolution opposing the appointment of a new MIRA operator and that the Court of Common Council authorizes the creation and implementation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force at its October 4, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council placed the Resolution of Opposition to appointing a new Mira operator and authorization of the creation and implementation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force on its Consent Calendar at its October 23, 2017 meeting; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following persons will comprise the members of the Hartford Solid Waste Task Force: Lillian(Milly)Arciniegas, Steven J. Bonafonte, Esq., Clarence W. Corbin, P.E.; Sharon

E. Lewis (Chairperson); Mark A. Mitchell, M.D.; James P. Sandler, Esq.; Carmen I. Sierra, Assistant City Treasurer, City of Hartford; and Angela D. Skyers, MBA, ED.D.