

CITY OF HARTFORD

OFFICE OF THE TOWN AND CITY CLERK

550 MAIN STREET

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103

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

April 10, 2018

Honorable Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

Dear Mayor Bronin:

Please find attached the following ordinance and resolutions that were passed at a regular meeting of the Court of Common Council on April 9, 2018. I have duly certified these documents and respectfully send them to you for your review.

John V. Bazzano, City Clerk

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 9, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford (the "City") owns and maintains Bushnell Park (the "Park"), an historic park, the acquisition of which was approved by the City in December, 1853; and

WHEREAS, Bushnell Park Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to support the City's efforts to protect, preserve, promote and maintain the Park; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation proposes the following as improvements to the Park (the "Improvements"): financial and other support for repair work to seal water leaks in the two towers of the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Arch in the amount of \$18,225; and financial and other support for a new playground to replace the one recently removed by the City in the amount of \$265,000; and

WHEREAS, The City's Department of Public Works has reviewed and endorsed the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation is committed to continuing to conduct fund-raising activities to achieve its goal to protect, preserve, promote and maintain the Park; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City is hereby authorized to accept from the Foundation donations for Improvements to the Park to be paid for from the proceeds of the Foundation's fundraising efforts provided, where applicable, the Improvements receive required municipal approvals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all manner of documents and take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to further and/or effectuate the City's receipt of the aforementioned gifts/donations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, if applicable, 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 documents or take any of the aforesaid actions; and be it further

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

Attest:

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 9, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Dillon Stadium ("Dillon" or "Stadium") is a valuable community asset that has, over the years, fallen into a state of severe disrepair; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford community has long hoped for the renovation and restoration of Dillon Stadium so that it could once again be a venue for community use and community events; and

WHEREAS, Bringing a professional soccer team to Dillon Stadium has the potential to advance the revitalization of the Coltsville area and the Sheldon/Charter Oak Neighborhood and to increase the vibrancy of the city of Hartford as a whole; and

WHEREAS, On September 15, 2017, the Capitol Region Development Authority ("CRDA") issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") on behalf of the City of Hartford, ("City") seeking parties interested in redeveloping and operating Dillon and potentially securing a professional sports team for the Stadium; and

WHEREAS, CRDA declared its support of one of three respondents to the RFP, the Hartford Sports Group ("HSG"), and after a thorough review of the proposals, the City selected HSG as the successful respondent; and

WHEREAS, The proposal submitted by HSG proposed bringing a United Soccer League ("USL") franchise to Hartford for the 2019 season as part of the effort to revitalize Dillon, and it is anticipated that HSG will invest \$7.5 to \$10 million for the start-up and operational costs to bring the USL franchise to Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Dillon will need to undergo extensive renovations to meet the needs of a USL soccer franchise and to continue to accommodate the community's use of this historic asset; and

WHEREAS, Financing for the restoration of Dillon, as well as improvements to Colt Park, was secured by CRDA through the State Bond Commission, sufficient to cover the repair and replacement of the bleachers, renovations to the locker rooms, restrooms, and press box, and the installation of a new artificial turf field, new fencing, landscaping, lighting, and a scoreboard; and

WHEREAS, CRDA will oversee the redevelopment of Dillon with the City retaining ownership of the Stadium at all times; and

WHEREAS, It is in the City's best interest for CRDA to operate the facility once the renovation of the Stadium is complete, given CRDA's experience in operating similar venues and ability to leverage operational efficiencies through their existing facility management relationships; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and members of the Court of Common Council continue to engage in extensive discussions with CRDA and with HSG, and are committed to continuing to engage and consult with the Hartford community as the process moves forward; and

WHEREAS, The key terms for the agreement(s) related to the operation and use of the Stadium are more particularly set forth in the term sheet submitted to the Court of Common Council; and

WHEREAS, The renovation of Dillon and subsequent use by a professional soccer franchise will not only restore an existing asset, but allow for expanded community use and additional economic activity in and around the Stadium; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into a license agreement with CRDA and other necessary agreements for the operation and use of Dillon Stadium in accordance with the Terms Sheet that will be provided to the court of Common Council and in such form that the Mayor and Office of Corporation Counsel deem to be in the best interest of the City in order to effectuate the above transactions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby 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 interest of the City in order to effectuate the above transactions; 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 any agreement(s) 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 agreement(s) and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

Attest:

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 9, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Black and Puerto Rican Caucus has worked diligently with both state and local officials through partnership and strengthened efforts, to identify and bring to light the many challenges confronting residents and all people living in our state, and

WHEREAS, The proposals set forth by the caucus leadership for the 2018 legislative agenda includes:

- Minority teacher retention/recruitment
- Earned family and medical leave
- Addressing mistreatment of inmates and providing quality healthcare for inmates
- Restoring funding to Hispanic agencies to help relocated families from Puerto Rico and providing disaster assistance
- Pay equity
- Increase the minimum wage
- Legislation to assist ex-offenders in successfully re-entering their communities; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, The City of Hartford Court of Common Council stands in total support of the Black and Puerto Rican 2018 Legislative Agenda.

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WHEREAS, Pursuant to City Ordinance Section 2-46, each Council Member may appoint an Executive Assistant who shall serve at the pleasure of, and whose duties shall be prescribed by, the Council Member making said appointment; and

WHEREAS, As a result, each Council Member who exercises such prerogative is necessarily a supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Supervisory personnel (also referred to as appointing authorities) of the City of Hartford are or maybe required by the administration to participate in ongoing management and supervisory training; and

WHEREAS, Appointing authorities of the City of Hartford receive details of all City employment policies and provide written acknowledgement of receipt thereof; and

WHEREAS, The aforementioned training and materials have not heretofore been requested by or extended to Council Members; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That City Council shall be included in all management and supervisory practices currently required of and applicable to all appointing authorities of the City of Hartford.

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WHEREAS, Pursuant to City Ordinance Section 2-178(c), the City of Hartford established the honorary position of Poet Laureate of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to said ordinance, the Commission on Cultural Affairs is required to and has created an application process, established selection criteria and must now convene a Selection Committee to recommend a poet for appointment; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the criteria for the composition of the Selection Committee as established by the Commission of Cultural Affairs, the City Council has one appointment to the Selection Committee who shall be a member of the Court of Common Council or appointed by the Court of Common Council; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That City Council hereby appoints Councilmember John Q. Gale as the designee of the City Council to sit on the Poet Laureate Selection Committee established by the Commission of Cultural Affairs.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano