



**ACTIONS**  
**MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL**  
**September 14, 2020**

The minutes for the meetings of May 11 & 23, June 8 & 22, July 13, August 10, 2020 were approved 9-0

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**ACTION TAKEN**

1. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a Grant of \$5,000 from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to hire a consultant to help formally establish the Charter Oak Monument within the Charter Oak Place District.  
**CONSENT**
2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant of \$1,354,492, for the Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) enhanced detection, response, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19 work from the State of Connecticut's Department of Public Health (DPH).  
**CONSENT**
3. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$58,750.36 from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office for enforcement of distracted driving.  
**CONSENT**
4. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award under the "FY 20 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program" from the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$598,041.00.  
**CONSENT**
5. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept ongoing payments from the EdAdvance, a Regional Educational Service Center, as an agent for the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (OEC), to provide funding to support Family Child Care ("FCC") providers as approved by OEC, as part of the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The minimum amount that the City will be paid for providing this service is \$35,000, but that may be increased subject to the State's orders.  
**CONSENT**
6. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution to formally endorse the proposed the Equality Act, H.R. 5, in the United States Congress.  
**CONSENT**
7. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant of \$173,000.00 from the United States Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's FY 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) to fund cancer screening for all Hartford firefighters.  
**REFERRED TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**
8. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a Grant of \$180,266.82 from the United States Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's FY 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program COVID-19 Supplemental (AFG-S) to provide funds for the purchase of PPE and related supplies, including reimbursements, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.  
**REFERRED TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**
9. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a check in the amount of \$200.00 for the City of Hartford's Film and Media Commission.  
**CONSENT**
10. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying substitute resolution for authorizing the City to enter into a Tax Fixing Agreement with Mitchell Farmington Valley, LLC, owner of Land Rover Dealership at 77 Weston Street.  
**CONSENT**
11. MAYOR BRONIN "approval of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a new ground lease for the Hilton Hotel pursuant to a sale of the hotel"  
**SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION** **PASSED 9-0**
12. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to accept a donation of \$1,875 from the Metropolitan District Connecticut (MDC) to support public events hosted by the Department of Families, Children, Youth, and Recreation (DFCYR).  
**CONSENT**
13. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution requesting to enter into Executive Session during the Council meeting on Monday, September 14, 2020, in order to discuss the potential settlement of a workers' compensation matter, Otto Dowd v. City of Hartford.  
**PASSED 8-0**
14. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to continue funding the Parkville Senior Center and the Hispanic Senior Center through agreements with Parkville Senior Center Inc. and Catholic Charities, Inc.  
**CONSENT**

15. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the transfer to the Suspense Book of \$1,412,722.52 in outstanding delinquent personal property and motor vehicle taxes for tax bills that the Tax Collector has certified as unlikely to be collected. In most instances, the businesses associated with the tax have closed and the owner cannot be located, or the owner is deceased.

**REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET & GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE**

16. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the Mayor to make transfers in the FY2020 General Fund Budget:

**REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET & GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE**

17. LABOR, EDUCATION, WORKFORCE AND YOUTH COMMITTEE, Communication concerning updates from the Director, Department of Children, Youth and Recreation (DCYFR)-Kim Oliver. Update: Summer camp, Budget allocations, Early Learning Centers, Afterschool Recreation and HPS Plans for School Year.

**RECEIVED**

18. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, Communication to postpone action at committee level until the MyRec Field Reservation System Operational Review and Improvement Plan is completed on resolution requesting that a more comprehensive policy by DPW be put in place to best help navigate the needs of the community to become effective by winter of FY 2021 and a Request for Proposal (RFP) to hire a third party contractor to assist with managing of Hartford's fields reservation process.

**RECEIVED**

### **REPORTS**

19. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution which would authorize the acquisition of property located at 522&532 Ann Uccello street ("The Properties") from House of Bread, Inc.

**CONSENT**

20. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution which would authorize the transfer of seven (7) City-Owned Properties to the Hartford Land Bank

**CONSENT**

21. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution confirming the appointment of Frank Barrows, Lionel Thompson, Diego Lopez, Rev. Elizabeth Arulampalam, Lashawn Robinson, Charlie Ortiz, and Kylah Jackson to the Police Accountability Review Board (PARB).

**CONSENT**

22. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution confirming the appointment of Eric W. Crawford to the Civilian Police Review Board.

**CONSENT**

23. LABOR, EDUCATION, WORKFORCE AND YOUTH COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution requesting that the City Council of Hartford, assembled on this 10th day of August, 2020, urge Alden Global Capital to Cease any further layoffs or buyouts that have decimated the staff, not to seek to increase ownership interest in Tribune Publishing, and to consider in good faith any offers from outside entities that would return Tribune Publishing newspaper to a civic-minded ownership.

**CONSENT**

24. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, Report on proposed ordinance making General Fund Appropriations to reflect project costs relative to Public Improvements in the Martin Luther King School.

**RECEIVED**

25. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution for authorizing The City to enter into a Tax Fixing Agreement with Mitchell Farmington Valley, LLC, owner of Land Rover Dealership at 77 Weston Street.

**CONSENT**

26. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution which would authorize the transfer of seven (7) City-owned properties to the Hartford Land Bank.

**CONSENT**

27. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, with report on Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Appointments of Departments Heads Requirements, Section 850 Residency requirements of the Municipal Code.

**RECEIVED**

28. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, with report on Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article XVIII, Section 2-860 Motor Vehicle Policy of the Hartford Municipal Code.

**RECEIVED**

29. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, with report on Ordinance Amending Article V, Division 5, Section 2-196 of the Hartford Municipal Code.

**RECEIVED**

### **FOR ACTION**

30. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, Communication to postponed action on resolution requesting that the Court of Common Council creates a process whereby the Mayor must choose a majority of the members of the Civilian Police Review Board from among candidates nominated by community organizations specifically focused on serving communities impacted by overpolicing, with a list of such organizations to be determined and comprise at least two members who are under the age of 26 when they are appointed and at least one member who has previously been incarcerated after a criminal conviction or an adjudication of juvenile delinquency.

**RECEIVED**

31. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, with accompanying substitute resolution that would authorize the City to enter into an agreement with Bushnell Park Foundation to help achieve our mutual goal of restoring, preserving and promoting the Park.

**SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION**

**CONSENT**

32. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Appointments of Departments Heads Requirements, Section 850 Residency requirements of the Municipal Code.

**ACTION POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

33. Ordinance Amending Article V, Division 5, Section 2-196 of the Hartford Municipal Code.

**REFERRED TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

34. Substitute Ordinance amending chapters 2, Article XVIII, Section 2-860 Motor Vehicle Policy of the Hartford Municipal Code.

**REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET & GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE**

35. Resolution calling upon the Mayor to suspend Police Chief Jason Thody from all job duties and relieve him of his City-issued weapon and City-issued vehicle until such time as the Independent Audit Commission completes its investigation and the Mayor or the Court of Common Council can take the appropriate action in response to the findings of that investigation.

**FAILED 2-7**

36. Ordinance making General Fund Appropriations to reflect project costs relative to Public Improvements in the Martin Luther King School.

**CONSENT**

37. Resolution requesting that those now living on these ancestral lands, recognize that harm was done and the pursuit of shared responsibility and of promoting knowledge about Indigenous Peoples, unifying communities, combating prejudice and eliminating discrimination against Indigenous Peoples and that on the second Monday in October of each year the City of Hartford will support events that encourage understanding and appreciation of Indigenous Peoples changes shall not affect the status of the second Monday of October of each year as a publicly recognized holiday.

**REFERRED TO THE AD HOCK TASK FORCE**

38. Resolution by the Court of Common Council requesting to remove the name of Columbus Boulevard and rename it Dr. Frank T. Simpson Boulevard, named after one of Hartford's historic civil rights champions.

**REFERRED TO THE AD HOCK TASK FORCE**

**RESOLUTIONS**

39. (MAJORITY LEADER CLARKE II) (COUNCILMAN LEBRON) (COUNCILWOMAN ROSSETTI) (COUNCILWOMAN SURGEON) (COUNCILWOMAN BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN GALE) Resolution calling on the Governor and Legislature of the State of Connecticut to enact, by executive order and/or legislation, provisions to protect the ability of all Hartford residents to have equal access and opportunities in education and employment.

**CONSENT**

40. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSADO) (MAJORITY LEADER CLARKE II) (COUNCILWOMAN SURGEON) (COUNCILWOMAN ROSSETTI) (COUNCILMAN LEBRON) (COUNCILWOMAN BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN GALE) Resolution by the Court of Common Council requesting to superimpose the name of Congressman John R. Lewis on Elm Street and Trinity Street to be displayed as Congressman John R. Lewis Way.

**HEARING DATE – MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2020**

**REFERRED TO THE BUILDING DEDICATION COMMITTEE**

41. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSADO) (MAJORITY LEADER CLARKE II) (COUNCILMAN LEBRON) (COUNCILWOMAN BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN GALE) Resolution requesting that the basketball located at Elizabeth Park, in Hartford, be named "Coach Jack Phelan Court" in memory of Coach Phelan's legacy.

**HEARING DATE – MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2020**

42. (COUNCILWOMAN BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN MIGHTOM) Resolution requesting that any proposed ordinance submitted to the Town Clerk's Office by a member of the Court of Common Council or by the Mayor includes a brief, 2-3 sentence statement on what the ordinance seeks to do and to have a "Frequently Asked Questions" document attached to it, following a Public Hearing, based on the questions asked.

**REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET & GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE**

Attest: Noel F. McGregor, Jr.  
Town & City Clerk