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VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

MONDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2020

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CLARKE II, GALE, LEBRON, MICHTOM AND ROSADO WILL REPRESENT THE COUNCIL AT A VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT 7:00PM MONDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2020.

- 1. Ordinance Amending Chapter 22, Article II, Division 5 to Increase Commercial, Non-residential Parking Lot Licensing Fees and to Add Commercial Non-Residential Parking Garages to the Licensing Requirement, of the Hartford Municipal Code.
- 2. Substitute Ordinance Amending Article V, Division 5, Section 2-196 of the Hartford Municipal Code.
- 3. Resolution requesting that the Hartford Court of Common Council herby approve superimposing the name of Abdul –Shahid Muhammad Ansari Way on Charter Oak Avenue, to be displayed henceforth as Abdul-Shahid Muhammad Ansari Way.
- 4. Resolution requesting that the corner of Hillside Avenue, (intersection Hamilton Street), and New Britain Avenue in Hartford be superimposed "Sharlene's Way".
- 5. Resolution requesting that to honor and memorialize Joe's Marfuggi outstanding contribution to Hartford, the Riverfront Parks and Riverfront Recapture, the Court of Common Council heartily approves the naming of the new Riverwalk the Joe Marfuggi Riverwalk.
- 6. Resolution allowing the conveyance of an easement in the South Branch Park River Corridor for the purpose of maintaining an existing multi-use path and constructing an extension of this multi-use-path. Easement to is to be conveyed by the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford to the City of Hartford.

ATTEST:

NOEL F. McGREGOR, JR. TOWN & CITY CLERK

To sign up to speak, please reach out to David Grant (860) 757-9738, David.grant@hartford.gov

Introduced by:

PROPOSED ORDINANCES



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HEADING

PURPOSE

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF HARTFORD TO INCREASE COMMERCIAL, NON-RESIDENTIAL PARKING LOT LICENSING FEES AND TO ADD COMMERCIAL NON-RESIDENTIAL PARKING **GARAGES** OT THE LICENSING REQUIREMENT.

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

October 26, 2020

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

DIVISION 5. - COMMERCIAL LOTS

Sec. 22-106. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this division, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Commercial parking lot means an outdoor space or uncovered plot, place, lot, parcel, garage or enclosure or any portion thereof where more than fifteen (15) motor vehicles may be parked, stored or kept at any one (1) time for which any charge is made.

Downtown parking district means the area contained generally within the boundaries of the [B-1] DT-1, DT-2 and DT-3 Zones as identified in Chapter 35[, Article III, Division 5] of the Municipal Code.

Motor vehicle means any automobile, truck, bus or other self-propelled vehicle not

operated on tracks or from trolleys.

(Code 1977, § 32-62; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Cross reference— Definitions and rules of construction generally, § 1-2.

Sec. 22-107. - Permit required.

- (a) No person shall keep and maintain a commercial parking lot where charges are made for the parking of motor vehicles without first obtaining a permit for such lot from the department of licenses and inspections. No such permit shall be issued until the applicant has filed an application therefore in accordance with section 22-108, together with a plat or drawing showing the location, size and capacity of such lot.
- (b) Permits shall expire two (2) years from the date of issuance unless revoked pursuant to section 22-115.

(Code 1977, § 32-63; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Cross reference—Licenses and permits generally, Ch. 21.

Sec. 22-108. - Application for permit.

- (a) Application for a permit required by this division shall be made upon forms furnished by the department of licenses and inspection and shall set forth the following:
- (1) Whether the applicant is an individual, partnership or corporation; if an individual, the name and residence and business addresses of the applicant; if a partnership, the name and residence and business addresses of each partner; if a corporation, the name, date and state under which the corporation was organized, the names and business and residence addresses of the officers and managers in charge thereof;
 - (2) Whether the parking lot is owned or leased by the applicant;
- (3) The maximum number of motor vehicles which may at any one (1) time be accommodated upon such parking lot, structure, or garage;
- (4) The hours during which the motor vehicles may be accommodated upon such parking lot;
 - (5) The lighting plan for such parking lot, structure or garage;
- (6) Whether the applicant has insurance to furnish protection against loss on account of legal liability because of the maintenance of such parking lot, and the nature of such insurance.
- (b) Such application and any required plat or drawing shall be signed and verified under oath by the applicant and shall be filed in triplicate with the department of licenses and inspection. In case the applicant is a partnership, each partner shall execute the same.

- (c) A permit application shall not be accepted by the department of licenses and inspections unless the applicant submits a statement from the City of Hartford Tax Collector's Office stating that the taxes on the real property on which the commercial parking lot is situated are paid to date and the real property is not tax delinquent.
- (d) Prior to being approved for a permit, the applicant must furnish the following policies or certificates of insurance covering the applicant and the City of Hartford in a form approved by the corporation counsel and risk manager, which shall be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Connecticut and shall remain in effect for the full period of time for which such permit is effective:
- (1) For bodily injury liability in the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for any one (1) bodily injury, including death, with a total limit of three million dollars (\$3,000,000.00) for all damages arising out of bodily injury or death of more than one (1) person, and
 - (2) For property damage liability in the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00).

(Code 1977, § 32-64; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-109. - Permit fees.

The permit fee for the operation of a commercial parking lot shall be paid at the time of the filing of the application as set forth in section 22-108, in accordance with the following schedule:

Commercial parking lots in the downtown parking district:

Commercial parking lots sharing a property line, owned by the same property owner, should be considered together if otherwise one or the other lot would fall under the 16 space capacity minimum for this permit fee.

- (1) Lots having a capacity of 16 to 30 motor vehicles\$[500.00] 2,000.00
- (2) Lots having a capacity of 31 to 50 motor vehicles [750.00] \$3,900
- [(3) Lots having a capacity of over 50 motor vehicles1,000.00]
- (3) Lots having a capacity of 51 to 70 motor vehicles\$6,400.00
- (4) Lots having a capacity of 71 to 90 motor vehicles\$8,900.00
- (5) Lots having a capacity of 91 to 110 motor vehicles\$11,400.00
- (6) Lots having a capacity of 111 to 130 motor vehciles \$13,900
- (7) Lots having a capacity of 131 to 150 motor vehicles\$16,400
- (8) Lots having a capacity of 151 to 170 motor vehicles\$18,900
- (9) Lots having a capacity of 171 to 190 motor vehicles\$21,400

- (10) Lots having a capacity of 191 to 210 motor vehicles\$23,900
- (11) Lots having a capacity of 211 to 230 motor vehicles\$26,400
- (12) Lots having a capacity of 231 to 250 motor vehicles\$28,900
- (13) Lots having a capacity of over 250 motor vehicles\$28,900 + \$2,500 for each increment in capacity by 20 motor vehicle spaces (example: 305 motor vehicle spaces = \$28,900 + 3*\$2,500 = \$36,400)

Commercial parking lots not in the downtown parking district:

- (1) Lots having a capacity of 16 to 30 motor vehicles\$[250.00] 1,000.00
- (2) Lots having a capacity of 31 to 50 motor vehicles[375.00] \$1,950.00
- (3) Lots having a capacity of 51 to 70 motor vehicles\$3,200.00
- (4) Lots having a capacity of 71 to 90 motor vehicles\$4,450.00
- (5) Lots having a capacity of 91 to 110 motor vehicles\$5,700
- (6) Lots having a capacity over 110 motor vehicles \$6,950
- [(3) Lots having a capacity of over 50 motor vehicles500.00]

From January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2029, the applicable permit fees shall be determined by utilizing the fees appearing in the original schedule of fees above and multiplying them by a factor of 2.

Beginning January 1, 2030, the applicable permit fees shall be determined by utilizing the fees appearing in the original schedule of fees above and multiplying them by a factor of 4.

(Code 1977, § 32-65; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-110. - Prohibited acts of permittee.

It shall be unlawful for the permittee of any commercial parking lot to:

- (1) Use or permit the use of any part of the public sidewalk for the storage, parking or change of location of any motor vehicle parked therein;
- (2) Deposit or shovel upon the public highway or sidewalk any accumulation of snow, ice, rubbish or other dangerous or unwholesome substance;
 - (3) Transfer the location of a parked motor vehicle from one commercial parking lot to

another commercial parking lot during the period of parking without the written or emailed consent of the owner or bailor of such parked motor vehicle.

(Code 1977, § 32-66; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-111. - Duties of permittee.

- (a) The permittee of a commercial parking lot shall:
- (1) When a vehicle is left for parking, furnish the owner or operator with a claim check, text message, or email which shall [have printed thereon] include the full name and address of the parking lot and a number corresponding to a coupon attached thereto which shall be placed upon the vehicle or referenced to the vehicle's license plate number. The permittee shall not deliver any such vehicle without presentation of the proper claim check or without satisfactory proof of ownership of such vehicle. This provision shall not apply where a vehicle is parked on a weekly or monthly basis and a memorandum bearing the full name and address of the parking lot is given to the owner thereof stating the arrangement;
- (2) Provide for such parking lot proper and adequate fire extinguishing apparatus which shall be subject to the approval of the chief of the department of fire;
- (3) Post prominently at the entrance on each street of such parking lot a sign bearing the name of the permittee, the hours of the day and night during which such lot shall be open, the rates charged and the closing hours of such lot. Such sign shall be uniformly displayed in conspicuous letters and figures of the same size;
- (4) Keep such lot lighted by some type of approved lighting device in such locations and to such extent as shall be adequate to permit the owners of motor vehicles to have reasonable access to all portions of such lot during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise for which such lot shall be open for parking;
- (5) Place a conspicuous sign at the entrance of the lot, reading "FILLED," whenever such lot is filled with motor vehicles to its legalized capacity. Such sign shall be displayed continuously as long as such condition exists.
- (6) Post in a prominent location the provisions of sections 22-110 and 22-111 and the phone number of the director of licenses and inspections.
- (b) In addition to the duties in subsection (a) above, commercial parking lots in the downtown parking district shall comply and be subject to the following:
 - (1) All entrances and exits shall be approved by the city traffic engineer and shall satisfy the following criteria:
- a. All exits and entrances shall be so located as to provide the least amount of interference <u>or safety hazard</u> [with the movement of] <u>for pedestrians, bicycle riders,</u> and vehicular traffic;
 - b. There shall be no exits or entrances on Main Street;
 - c. There shall be no exits or entrances located within a designated bus loading or

unloading zone;

- d. There shall be a minimum distance of forty (40) feet between any two (2) curb cuts and a minimum distance of seventy-five (75) feet between any curb cut and the corner of any lot which is adjacent to two (2) streets;
- e. All entrances and/or exits shall be located a minimum distance of one hundred (100) feet from the nearest entrance and/or exit ramp to a limited access highway, to be measured along the street line from the point at which the street line intersects the nearest highway taking line to the private, commercial and/or public parking lot entrance and/or exit.
- (2) A private, commercial and/or public parking lot shall be used solely for the parking of passenger vehicles. There shall be no commercial repair work or service of any kind, no display of vehicles for purposes of sale or rental and no parking or storage of inoperable or unregistered motor vehicles on such premises.
- (3) A landscaped area at least three (3) feet in width shall be provided between the private, commercial and/or public parking lot and the existing street line or the existing inner sidewalk line, whichever is furthest from the curb, for the full length of all street frontages excluding those areas required for curb cuts or bus shelters.
- (4) No sign of any kind other than those designating entrances, exits and conditions of use shall be erected or maintained, within a private, commercial and/or public parking lot. Such sign shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area each, shall be limited to one (1) sign per street frontage exclusive of exit/entrance signs, shall not exceed an overall height of fifteen (15) feet, shall maintain the visibility at intersections required in section 35-26 and shall not be located forward of the building line.
- (5) All private, commercial and/or public parking lots shall be surfaced so as to provide a durable and dustless all weather surface, and shall be so graded and drained as to dispose of all surface water accumulations within the site. No surface water from any such parking lot shall be permitted to drain onto adjoining property or across a public sidewalk or right-of-way.
- (6) There shall be provided a wheel stop of either wood, metal or concrete not more than one (1) foot in height and securely anchored into the ground on all sides of the parking lot where there is a sidewalk, an existing structure, fence or required landscaping. Such wheel stops shall be located at such a distance so that automobiles will not strike the wall, fence or landscaping, nor will the automobile extend over the sidewalk. As an alternative, a concrete or asphalt berm, serving the same purpose may be provided.
- (7) Each commercial and/or public parking lot must be properly lighted. All lighting used to illuminate such parking premises shall be so arranged as to reflect the light away from any public street or right-of-way and from any adjoining premises located in a residential district or any premises used for residential purposes.
- (8) Any person, partnership, or corporation operating a commercial parking lot without a permit will be charged a fee of no less than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) a day to operate such lot after proper notice has been posted on the lot by the

department of license and inspection. Individuals, officers of corporations and partners operating commercial parking lot without a permit shall be fined no more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisoned for no more than thirty (30) days. This subsection will not apply to any corporation partnership or individual with a pending permit application.

- (9) Any commercial parking lot in the downtown parking district in compliance with all the requirements of Chapter 22, Article II, Division V of the Code with the exception of subsection (5) of this section on July 1, 2002 may receive a one-time provisional permit for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date of issuance. A provisional one-time, one-year permit would pay half of the prescribed two-year licensing fee.
- (10) Any commercial parking lot in the downtown parking district in compliance with all the requirements of Chapter 22, Article II, Division V of the Code with the exception of subsection (b)(1)b. of this section on July 1, 2002, provided that the exit or entrance on Main Street was in existence prior to April 1, 2002, may receive a permit notwithstanding noncompliance with subsection (b)(1) b. of this section.

(Code 1977, § 32-67; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-112. - Display of rates.

The rates for parking in a commercial parking lot shall be prominently displayed before 8:00 a.m. of each day and shall remain in effect for a period of not less than twenty-four (24) hours thereafter or as otherwise required by this section. The permittees of commercial parking lots shall file their monthly, hourly and special event rates with the director of licenses and inspections on July 1 of each year and send a copy of the rates to the Hartford Parking Authority. The rates filed with the director of licenses and inspections shall remain the rates for that lot unless the permittee changes the parking rates by filing the new rates with the director of licenses and inspections ninety (90) days prior to the date on which the new rates take effect.

- (1) Rates for parking in the downtown parking district shall be prominently displayed in a uniform manner as determined by the Hartford Parking Authority.
- (2) Violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per occurrence.

(Code 1977, § 32-68; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-113. - Attendants.

(a) There shall be an attendant in charge of a commercial parking lot present at all times during which such parking lot is open for parking motor vehicles.

- (b) In addition to the requirement of subsection (a) above, there shall be an attendant in charge of a commercial parking lot located in the downtown parking district present from the time the parking lot opens in the evening until [one-half hour after the closing time of establishments serving alcoholic beverages for such days and through] such times as set forth below:
 - (1) Thursday evenings through 1:30 a.m. Friday;
 - (2) Friday evening through 2:30 a.m. Saturday; and
 - (3) Saturday evening through 2:30 a.m. Sunday.

(Code 1977, § 32-69; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02; Ord. No. 12-05, 10-11-05)

Sec. 22-114. - Exceptions.

- (a) The provisions of this division shall not apply to any commercial parking lot which is maintained or operated for the parking or storage of motor vehicles of residents in the immediate neighborhood of such parking lot and is not open for service to the general public.
- (b) The provisions of subsection 22-111(a)(1) shall not apply to commercial parking lots wherein means of ingress or egress are mechanically or automatically controlled.
 - (c) The provisions of subsection 22-113 shall not apply providing that a permittee:
- (1) properly installs and maintains a device that provides for payment and recording/acknowledgement of payment of the levied parking fee and provides for unattended access and egress from the parking lot; and
- (2) provides on-site ongoing monitoring through routine security/parking management mobile patrols or other on-site monitoring.

(Code 1977, § 32-70; Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02; Ord. No. 48-11, 9-12-11)

Sec. 22-115. - Enforcement.

The director of licenses and inspections shall enforce the provisions of sections 22-106 through 22-118. The chief of police and the Hartford Parking Authority are [is] authorized to assist the director in the enforcement of those provisions.

(Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-116. - Suspension or revocation of permit.

The director of licenses and inspections may suspend or revoke a permit for a commercial parking lot for violation or noncompliance with any provision of this division by sending written notice to the permittee.

(Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-117. - Hearing upon denial, suspension or revocation of permit.

Any person, entity or permittee may submit a written request for a hearing, with the director of licenses and inspections, within ten (10) of the date of the mailing of notice of denial, suspension or revocation of a commercial parking permit.

The [city manager] <u>chief operating officer</u> shall appoint a hearing officer and the office of corporation counsel shall establish rules and regulations for hearings to be held under this section.

(Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Sec. 22-118. - Barricading commercial parking lot.

Upon suspension or revocation of a commercial parking permit, the department of licenses and inspection may barricade the parking lot until further notice, provided that no barricade shall be installed prior to the passage of the ten-day period within which a hearing regarding suspension or revocation may be requested or until such time as a decision is rendered after a hearing held pursuant to section 22-117.

(Ord. No. 20-02, 6-10-02)

Introduced by:

Mayor Bronin

HEADING AND PURPOSE

Agenda Item #2

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V, DIVISION 5, SECTION 2-196 OF THE HARTFORD MUNICIPAL CODE

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL, CITY OF HARTFORD

July 13, 2020

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

That Article V, Division 5, Section 2-196, of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-196. - Established; composition; meetings; functions.

- Established. There is hereby established a civilian police review board to hear public (a) complaints against members of the Hartford Police Department. It is in the interest of Hartford residents and citizens, generally, and of the Hartford Police Department that investigations of complaints concerning misconduct by police officers involving members of the public be complete, thorough and impartial. These inquires must be conducted fairly and independently, and in such a manner that the public and the police department have confidence. An independent civilian complaint review board is hereby established, as a body comprised of voting members who are civilians. The civilian police review board shall have the authority to investigate allegations through [independent investigators] the inspector general, of police misconduct, [to review reports and conclusions of] concurrent to the Hartford Police Department's Internal Affairs Division review of a complaint, and to reach an independent judgment and [to determine that they are complete, accurate and factually supported,] to make [recommendations] findings and transmit them to the police chief and to the mayor in connection therewith. Said review board shall be in the Office of Equity and Opportunity for administrative purposes only.
- (b) Composition. The civilian police review board shall be comprised of nine (9) regular voting members and two (2) alternates who shall be regular voting members when they sit. The mayor shall appoint eight (8) of the nine (9) regular members, pursuant to Section 2(d) of Chapter IV of the City Charter, no more than two (2) of whom may be non-residents of the city, and the mayor shall appoint both of the alternates. The commission on human relations shall appoint one (1) member. Both alternates and the member appointed by the commission on human relations shall be Hartford residents. The board shall include a non-voting member,

appointed by the mayor in accordance with these provisions, who is between the age of 18 and 26 years old and a resident of the City of Hartford. In nominating members of the CPRB, the mayor shall give substantial weight to nominees recommended (a) by a majority of members of the Court of Common Council or (b) through any community recommendation process jointly established by the Mayor and the Court of Common Council by Resolution passed by Council and approved by the Mayor. At least one member or alternate shall be a person who has previously been justice involved, and justice involved shall be defined as an individual who has had prior interaction with the criminal justice system as a defendant.

Any such community recommendation process established shall seek to obtain recommendations from organizations representing various communities of interest, including but not limited to, organizations in the City advocating for criminal and social justice reform, neighborhood organizations, business and labor organizations, and organizations advocating for diversity and equality within the City. For any vacancy, no fewer than five recommended nominees will be provided to the mayor by the council or through the community recommendation process. If the mayor has been provided with five recommended nominees and does not select a nominee from that list, the mayor shall provide a public justification for such decision. If the Mayor has not been provided with five recommendations from the Court of Council or through the community recommendation process, the Mayor shall, in transmitting the name of a nominee to the City Council, provide the qualifications of the nominee as well as a list of the organizations from which the Mayor sought input and recommendations.

[The Office of Human Relations shall procure the services of independent investigators who are not active, sworn police officers to work on behalf of the civilian police review board.] The civilian police review board shall rely upon the findings, and investigative reports of the [independent investigator] inspector general in making recommendations. [The independent investigator] In addition to other information and testimony of witnesses, the inspector general shall have access to the same files and reports as the Hartford Police Department's Internal Affairs Division as allowed by existing statutes or requirements of law.

No civilian member of the civilian police review board shall be [an] <u>a current, former, or retired</u> officer of the Hartford Police Department <u>or any other law enforcement agency</u> or employee of the City of Hartford, or an immediate family member of an officer of the Hartford Police Department or employee of the City of Hartford, as governed and defined by the City of Hartford Code of Ethics.

Members and alternates selected for the civilian police review board shall be chosen based on their experience and expertise in fields relevant to the charge of the civilian police review board. [The civilian police review board shall be reflective of the city's neighborhoods and communities and of its business, labor and legal communities and, as well as, of the city's ethnic, gender, racial and sexual orientation composition.] In making nominations to the board, strong consideration will be given to ensuring that the board reflects the full diversity of the city of Hartford, including racial, ethnic, sexual orientation, and age.

The police chief shall designate one (1) non-voting member and one (1) non-voting alternate from the Hartford Police Department who shall <u>be available to [advise] attend meetings of</u> the civilian police review board, as requested by the board [as to police policies and procedures]. The said designees, each to be of a rank of at least Lieutenant, shall have first undergone diversity and cultural sensitivity training.

Of the members initially appointed to the civilian police review board by the mayor, four (4) shall be appointed for four (4) years each; three (3) shall be appointed for three (3) years each, and one (1) shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years. Thereafter each and all appointments shall be for a term of four (4) years. The two (2) alternates shall each be appointed for a four (4) year term. The non-voting member of the civilian police review board shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years. The member appointed by the commission on human relations shall serve for four (4) years. Each member shall serve until his/her successor is appointed and any member may be reappointed. Any member of the civilian police review board appointed by the mayor may be removed for cause by the mayor or by a two-thirds vote of the city council. Any member of the civilian police review board appointed by the commission on human relations may be removed for cause by the commission on human relations.

Any member of the civilian police review board who misses, without excuse or permission, three (3) consecutive meetings or four (4) meetings in a twelve (12) month period of the civilian police review board's regularly scheduled meetings shall be considered to have resigned. Any vacancy on the civilian police review board occasioned by resignation, death, inability to serve or removal of a member shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the mayor within forty-five (45) calendar days of the date when the vacancy occurred.

The members <u>and staff</u> of the civilian police review board shall undergo training in the policies, procedures and directives of the Police Department relevant to their duties, <u>including training relating to racial profiling</u>. The police department and the [Office of Human Relations] <u>inspector general</u> shall cooperate in the development and provision of such training.

(c) Jurisdiction. The civilian police review board shall investigate through [independent investigators and the staff of the Office of Human Relations] the inspector general [all] citizen complaints against City of Hartford police officers filed with the Police Department or with the [Office of Human Relations] civilian police review board, concurrent to any investigation conducted by Police/Internal Affairs. Complaints may be filed directly with the [Office of Human Relations] the civilian police review board [or], with the police department, with a Hartford 311 constituent services representative, or with communitybased agencies, registered by the [Office of Human Relations] civilian police review board and the police department, and a list of such agencies receiving complaints shall be maintained and published on the City website. Each citizen complaint received by the [Office of Human Relations] civilian police review board, whether directly or from a community agency, shall be forwarded to the police department within three (3) business days. Complaints received by the Police Department shall be forwarded to the civilian police review board within three (3) business days. Every complaint, as soon as it is received by the Police Department or the CPRB, shall be given a case or tracking number and a time and date of filing, so that the complainant can be assured that the matter is addressed timely.

The civilian police review board shall have jurisdiction over citizen complaints against police officers related to, but not limited to, the following:

- [(1) Slow or poor service.
- (2) Discourteous attitude.
- (3) Profane language.]
- [(4)](1) Improper handling of citizen's property.
- [(5)](2) False arrest; improper detention.
- [(6)](3) Violation of the code of conduct.

- [(7)](4) Excessive use of force.
- [(8)](5) Civil rights violation.
- [(9)](6) Illegal search and seizure.
- [(10)](7) Failure to provide medical attention.
- [(11)](8) Harassment.
- [(12)](9) Racial profiling and/or use of racial or ethnic slurs/discriminatory language.
- [(13)](10) Crime committed by police.
- [(14)](11) Abuse of authority.
- [(15)](12) Retaliation for filing a complaint.
- (13) Filing a false report.

Allegations in a complaint of slow or poor service, discourteous attitude or use of profane language shall be investigated by Police/Internal Affairs and reported to the Office of Equity and Opportunity and the civilian police review board on a quarterly basis. In cases in which an officer has had repeatedly been the subject of complaints for slow or poor service, discourteous attitude or use of profane language, based upon a vote of the civilian police review board, a full inspector general investigation may be required.

The civilian police review board shall have the right to request on its own motion an investigation of a public incident when the public interest may be served by so doing. The civilian police review board shall also have the right, on its own motion, to initiate a complaint when the civilian police review board has a good faith belief that a specific incident of misconduct has occurred but no formal citizen complaint has been received, provided that complaints initiated by the civilian police review board shall not take priority over other civilian complaints.

[However, the civilian police review board may not initiate complaints as to police conduct or claimed misconduct and may not issue recommendations for discipline on its own motion.]

The [Office of Human Relations] <u>civilian police review board, through the inspector general,</u> will provide training and information to community-based agencies regarding the citizen complaint process.

[Within fifteen (15) days of the conclusion of any discipline or disciplinary proceeding by the police department with respect to a sustained citizen complaint, the Office of Human Relations shall be notified and shall promptly notify the civilian police review board and any community-based agencies involved.

A notice and summary report of all citizen complaints investigated by the Hartford Police Department's Internal Affairs Division shall be forwarded to the Office of Human Relations for transmittal to the civilian police review board.

Citizen complaints of a less serious nature, as determined by the Director of the Office of Human Relations, or her/his designee, including complaints such as slow or poor service, or for discourteous attitude, shall be offered for voluntary mediation to all parties. Said mediation will be conducted at the Office of Human Relations. If mediation is not agreed to or is not successful in resolving the complaint, it shall be investigated.]

- (d) Operations.
- (1) The mayor shall designate the chairperson of the civilian police review board, who shall <u>be</u> <u>a City resident and</u> serve a one-year term which may be extended by designation of the mayor annually for no more than three (3) terms of one (1) year each. Annually, the civilian

police review board shall elect a vice chairperson and a secretary. Said elections shall be by a quorum of the members at the meeting of the civilian police review board falling closest to the anniversary date of the previous election. The chairperson shall act as spokesperson for and as liaison between the civilian police review board and the mayor and the city. In the absence of the chairperson, the vice chairperson shall serve or act until a succeeding chairperson is appointed.

- (2) The city shall provide for the requisite staff assistance, supplies, equipment and facilities to the Office of [Human Relations] Equity and Opportunity in order to facilitate the administration of the civilian police review board business. [The Office of Human Relations may seek additional funding or resources through grant writing or otherwise on behalf of the civilian police review board.] The [Office of Human Relations] civilian police review board will develop policies and procedures for the filing and processing of citizen complaints, for the operations of the civilian police review board and for training members of the civilian police review board and the community-based agencies.
- (3) The meetings of the civilian police review board shall be open to the public, except that the civilian police review board may hold executive sessions in accordance with state law. Meetings of the civilian police review board shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Connecticut Freedom of Information Act.
- (4) The meetings of the civilian police review board shall be held at sites away from the police stations.
- (5) The civilian police review board shall meet monthly. A quorum of five (5) <u>voting</u> members is required to convene a regularly scheduled or specially called meeting and conduct business. <u>All meeting minutes shall be posted to the City's website and also made available to the public at the Office of the Town and City Clerk.</u>
- (6) When sufficient cause exists, the civilian police review board may convene special meetings, in accordance with its policies and procedures and in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.
- (7) The reports of the [independent investigators] <u>inspector general</u> associated with the civilian police review board shall [normally] be completed within forty-five (45) days from the date the investigation is initiated.
 - If extenuating circumstances prevent the [independent investigation] <u>inspector general</u> from being completed within forty-five (45) days, a request for additional time shall be submitted to the [Director of Human Relations] <u>chair of the civilian police review board</u>, who may grant additional time for the completion and submission of the [independent] investigation.
- (8) At each meeting, the civilian police review board shall review pending citizen complaint cases; decide completed citizen complaint cases; and receive updates on its recommendations. <u>All meeting minutes shall be posted to the City's website and also made</u> available to the public at the Office of the Town and City Clerk.
- (9) In the course of its [proceedings with respect to] <u>investigation into</u> citizen complaints, in [an] appropriate circumstances, the [civilian police review board] <u>inspector general</u> may take sworn testimony from witnesses concerning the alleged conduct which is the subject of the complaint. Any officer or member of the police department against whom a citizen complaint is filed may be required to attend and participate. [, except where the report and

any recommendation of the independent investigator concurs with the recommendation of the Hartford Police Department/Internal Affairs that the citizen complaint is not sustained, provided that no such officer or member of the police department shall be compelled to testify or submit evidence.]

- (10) [The police chief will ensure that a non-voting designee of her/his choice shall be present at every meeting of the civilian police review board. In the event that the standing non-voting designee and alternate is unavailable, the police chief shall notify the Office of Human Relations and assign a substitute participant of the Hartford Police Department.]
- [(11)] Following the review of a citizen complaint <u>and subsequent investigation by the inspector general</u>, the civilian police review board will determine whether or not the citizen complaint is [upheld] <u>sustained</u>. The civilian police review board will promptly report its findings and determinations to the police chief. A copy of its determinations shall also be sent to the citizen complainant and to the <u>relevant</u> community-based agencies, if applicable.

[The police chief shall seriously consider the findings and recommendations of the civilian police review board. Should the police chief elect not to accept either the findings or the recommendation of the civilian police review board, she/he shall promptly notify in writing the civilian police review board of her/his decision and the reasons for said decision related to the specific civilian complaint. In the event the police chief adopts the findings or accepts the recommendation of the civilian police review board, she/he shall promptly notify in writing the civilian police review board through the Office of Human Relations of the same. The police chief shall cause notice of the decision to be given to the citizen complainant and to the community-based agencies, if applicable.]

- (11) The chief of police shall promptly review the findings and determinations of the civilian police review board and consider the recommendations of internal affairs. Upon request by the chair of the civilian police review board, any proposed action by the Chief that adopts findings and determinations that differ from the findings and determinations of the civilian police review board shall be the subject of review by an independent arbitrator, selected by the chief of police and the chair of the civilian police review board from a list of qualified individuals approved by the selection panel established herein.
- (12) Upon request for review by an independent arbitrator, the chair of the civilian police review board, or designee, and the chief of police, or designee, shall present to the independent arbitrator their respective findings and recommendations. The independent arbitrator, after reviewing all the facts, reports, findings and presentations, shall render a decision that either upholds the findings of the chief of police or upholds the findings of the civilian police review board. The decision of the arbitrator shall be reduced to writing and shall become a public document. The decision by the arbitrator shall be final, and the Chief of Police shall proceed in conformance therewith.

The independent arbitrator must be a retired state or federal judge, including a state referee, or a retired judge of probate. Such independent arbitrator may be entitled to a daily stipend for participating in a review.

(13) There is hereby established a selection committee consisting of the Council President or their designee, the chief of police, the chair and one additional member of the civilian police review board, the president of the Hartford Police Union, the chair or a co-chair of City

Council's Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee, and the inspector general, which shall generate a list of candidates qualified to serve as independent arbitrators established herein. To be eligible for inclusion on the list of qualified candidates, an individual must be a retired state or federal judge or state referee, or a retired judge of probate.

- ([12]14) The civilian police review board will seek to complete its review of every civilian complaint within ninety (90) days of receipt thereof. In the event that circumstances prevent the completion of a review of a civilian complaint with ninety (90) days, the [Office of Human Relations] inspector general, on behalf of the civilian police review board, will submit written cause for the delay and reason(s) for the same to the office of the mayor.
- ([13]15) [The Office of Human Relations shall monitor the activities of the civilian police review board and make recommendations to improve its operations.]

 The civilian police review board may also make recommendations to the office of the mayor and city council for revision of specific police department policies and procedures related to civilian complaint process.
- (16) In cases in which a complaint against an officer has been sustained, either by the Chief of Police or by the Independent Arbitrator, the Chief of Police shall initiate the disciplinary process within fifteen days following the determination that the complaint has been sustained. The chief of police shall report to the civilian police review board that he or she has complied with this requirement within ten days of initiating the disciplinary process as required by this section.
- (e) *Accountability*. The civilian police review board shall prepare an annual report to the office of the mayor and the court of common council indicating:
- (1) The type and number of complaints filed,
- (2) The number <u>and identity</u> of police officer(s) complained against and the number <u>and identity</u> of police officer(s) and members of the police department against whom multiple complaints were received, and the disposition of the complaints, and
- (3) The identity of police officers with either (a) more than two complaints in any twelvementh span or (b) more than five total complaints during the previous ten years.
- ([3]4) The dollar value, if any, of settlements ordered and/or paid arising out of the citizen complaints, provided such disclosure does not violate a confidentiality agreement

The chief of police shall prepare an annual report to the office of the mayor and the court of common council indicating disciplinary actions taken and assistance offered to police officer(s) and members of the Hartford Police Department against whom multiple civilian complaints were received. This annual report shall be posted to the City's website and also made available to the public at the Office of the Town and City Clerk.

The Hartford Police Department shall timely provide police policies, training and procedures upon request by the Board, except as otherwise required by law or to the extent that disclosure could compromise public safety, and shall make such policies, training and procedures available on the city website, subject to the same limitation above.

- (f) Inspector General. There is hereby established the position of inspector general. The inspector general shall be a member of the classified service and following a competitive selection process shall be appointed by a panel consisting of the chair of the civilian police review board, the mayor, and the president of the city council. The inspector general shall have the requisite skills and knowledge of general policies and practices and the state of the law related to civil rights, and other claims made against police officers, and more generally have experience and expertise in fields relevant to the charge of the civilian police review board and in the selection of the Inspector General there shall be a preference for candidates with formal legal training. The inspector general may have a law enforcement background but may not be a member of a police department at the time of nomination to the position or have ever been a member of the Hartford Police Department. The inspector general may have such staff as may be provided for in the annual budget as adopted by the City Council. Such staff shall be members of the classified service and, subject to the rules of the classified service, shall be appointed and may be removed by the inspector general. Such staff may have a law enforcement background but may not be a member of a police department at the time of the nomination to the position or may not have ever been a member of the Hartford Police Department.
 - (1) The inspector general reports to the civilian police review board.
 - (2) The inspector general shall conduct a concurrent investigation, along with the Police Department/Internal Affairs investigation, into each citizen complaint referred by the civilian police review board.
 - (3) The chair of the civilian police review board shall refer complaints to the inspector general forthwith for investigation.
 - (4) The inspector general shall have access to the same files and reports as the Hartford Police Department's Internal Affairs Division as allowed by existing statutes or requirements of law.
- (5) Upon authorization under state law, the inspector general shall have subpoena power as part of an investigation of a complaint.
 - (6) The inspector general shall complete its investigation and provide its findings and recommendations within a forty-five day (45) period, unless that time is extended pursuant to the provisions of this section.

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

(Ord. No. 29-92, 6-22-92; Ord. No. 8-00, 3-27-00; Ord. No. 51-03, 12-8-03; Ord. No. 05-06, 4-10-06; Ord. No. 20-06, 6-12-06)

Agenda Item #3

INTRODUCED BY:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

Councilwoman Marilyn E. Rossetti Council President Maly Rosado Majority Leader TJ. Clarke II Councilman James Sanchez Councilwoman Shirley Surgeon Councilman Nick Lebron City of Hartford, October 26, 2020 Councilman John Q. Gale Councilman Josh Michtom Councilwoman Wildaliz Bermudez

WHEREAS, Abdul-Shahid "Muhammad" Ansari, a Giant Pillar in the City of Hartford was born in Leslie Georgia on September 26, 1937, his birth name L.C. Watts migrated in 1944 with his parents to Hartford, where he was raised and spent the greater part of his life; and

WHEREAS, In 1960 he became a part the Nation of Islam under the leadership of Elijah Muhammad and in 1975 he joined the following of Imam Warith Deen Muhammad, son of Elijah Muhammad, proponent of Orthodox Islam; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad held several significant positions in the Hartford community including Imam of New Africa Learning Center in Hartford, Assistant Imam of the Muhammad Islamic Center of Greater Hartford, President of the Greater Hartford NAACP, President of the African American Alliance, Treasurer of the African American Alliance, member of the Hartford Democratic Town Committee, Chair of the Hartford of the Hartford Civilian Police Review Board among other positions: and

WHEREAS, In 2010 he retired as Executive Director of the Open Hearth and previously worked in a number of other positions including Director of Community Relations at the Open Hearth, Clinic Supervisor at the at the Hartford Dispensary Methadone Clinic, as well as different roles at the Connecticut Department of Corrections; after retirement he was employed part-time at My Peoples Clinical Services: and

WHEREAS, On Sunday, May3, 2020 Abdul-Shahid Muhammad Ansari passed away in the comfort of his home surrounded by his loved ones, may Allah grant him the reward of paradise for his excellent example, as he will always be remembered for his patience, wisdom, humility and his unwavering dedication to his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. "Muhammed" Ansari established himself as a citizen of great value, exemplifying a life devoted to the absolute service of others, paying it forward with honor, dignity and goodwill; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council herby approve superimposing the name of Abdul – Shahid Muhammad Ansari Way on Charter Oak Avenue, to be displayed henceforth as Abdul-Shahid Muhammad Ansari Way.

Agenda Item #4

INTRODUCED BY:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, October 26, 2020

Maly D. Rosado, Council President Thomas J. Clarke II, Majority Leader Councilman James Sanchez Councilwoman Marilyn Rossetti Councilman Nick Lebron Councilwoman Shirley Surgeon Councilman John Gale

WHEREAS, On August 5th, 2019 Sharlene Mansfield was killed by a motorist running a red light on Hillside Avenue at the age of fifty-five; and

WHEREAS, After her death, her mother Charlotte Barber gave the following statement, "She was always giving...she'd buy clothes for people, she'd say, 'mom, I'm gonna take this ice cream to the kids up the street"; her comment was indicative of who Sharlene Mansfield was as a neighbor, friend, and family member; and

WHEREAS, Sharlene spent her early life in the North End of Hartford before finally moving into a home her family purchased in the South End of Hartford in the eighties; and

WHEREAS, Sharlene was a dedicated South End resident, often shoveling snow for the elderly, purchasing book bags for neighborhood kids, and buying groceries for individuals who could not make the trip to the store; and

WHEREAS, Upon her passing, community members from the South End of Hartford came together to advocate for a street renaming to honor Sharlene's legacy while reminding motorists to value life and obey traffic laws; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the corner of Hillside Avenue, (intersection Hamilton Street), and New Britain Avenue in Hartford be superimposed "Sharlene's Way".

Agenda Item #5

INTRODUCED BY:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

November 9, 2020

Councilwoman Marilyn E. Rossetti Councilwoman Shirley Surgeon Council President Maly Rosado Majority Leader TJ. Clarke II Councilman Nick Lebron Councilman James Sanchez Councilman John Q. Gale

WHEREAS, Joseph "Joe" Marfuggi, Dedicated Hartford Visionary, the former president & CEO of Riverfront Recapture Inc. and leader of the organization for 29 years passed away on October 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Joe who was the energizing force propelling the vision of reconnecting residents with the Connecticut River waterfront in Hartford, ran the non-profit from 1986 until his retirement in 2015 and under his leadership the organization built Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, the Boathouse in Riverside Park, making the Riverfront one of the state's major attractions, with more than 800,000 annual visitors; and

WHEREAS, The redevelopment and creation of a nationally recognized network of public parks along the Connecticut River was an economically viable recreational investment, in addition Joe was particularly proud of the cultural and sporting events held on the river and in the parks, that brought together the diverse communities of Connecticut in an environment of natural beauty and serenity; and

WHEREAS, Joe's varied career path and personal life focused on public service with a particular commitment. to the City of Hartford and the surrounding region: after receiving a Master's Degree in Journalism from Stanford University, Joe began his career as suburban bureau chief for the Hartford Times, and other employment included - development team UCONN Health Center, director of the Back to Home Program, director at City Institute of the University of Hartford and part-time instructor at Greater Hartford Community College (CCC); and

WHEREAS, Joe's work displayed his unique ability to build connections with nearly everyone whether through his deep immersion in the corporate world or through his hands-on leadership style that would prompt him to be first in line to hand out rods at his organization's fishing derby; and

WHEREAS, He didn't want be just the president, he wanted to be right there helping with the team and he was fully aware that the river presented a rare opportunity to unify a diverse group of people sharing and enjoying this historic Hartford park originally designed by the Olmsted firm; and

WHEREAS, Joe Marfuggi has distinguished himself as stellar example of a public servant that gave of himself tirelessly to pursue, persevere and create a lasting legacy based on productive partnerships, trust and thoughtfulness; and

WHEREAS, Riverfront Recapture is currently collaborating with the City of Hartford and the State DOT to construct a 2+ mile extension of the Riverwalk system from Riverside Park to connect with the Town of Windsor and Windsor Meadow State Park; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, to honor and memorialize Joe's outstanding contribution to Hartford, the Riverfront Parks and Riverfront Recapture, the Court of Common Council heartily approves the naming of the new Riverwalk the *Joe Marfuggi Riverwalk*.



AGENDA ITEM #6

October 13, 2020

Honorable Maly D. Rosado, Council President, and Members of the Court of Common Council City of Hartford 550 Main Street Hartford, CT 06103

RE: South Branch Park River Multi-Use Path, Conveyance of Property

Dear Council President Rosado,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution allowing the conveyance of an easement in the South Branch Park River Corridor for the purpose of maintaining an existing multi-use path and constructing an extension to this multi-use path. This easement is to be conveyed by the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford to the City of Hartford.

The initial paved path was completed in 2009 and it extends from Flatbush Avenue to Nilan Street, parallel to the South Branch Park River. The extension of the trail, from Nilan Street to Newfield Avenue, is funded with a grant from the Department of Environmental Protection. Over the past three years, staff has met with neighborhood residents and the Behind the Rocks/Southwest NRZ to confirm their continued interest in this trail. The trail has been endorsed in City plans, including the Capital Parks Plan, the Bicycle Plan, and the Plan of Conservation and Development.

On March 13, 2019 the Council approved the grant that will fund the design and construction of the trail extension.

The Department of Development Services is happy to answer any questions that you may have. Thank you 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:

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

City of Hartford, October 13, 2020

Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

WHEREAS, The State Bond Commission has awarded the City of Hartford a grant of \$1,000,000 which is being administered by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), which will be used to design and construct a multi-use trail from Nilan Street to Newfield Avenue, in the South branch River corridor; and

WHEREAS, The South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail has been endorsed in City plans including the Capital Parks Plan, the Bicycle Plan, and the Plan of Conservation and Development; and

WHEREAS, The first section of the South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail was completed in 2009 from Flatbush Avenue to Nilan Street; and

WHEREAS, The completed section of the South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail was built on property owned by the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford (HACH) to the east and south of the South Branch of the Park River; and

WHEREAS, The extension of the South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail from Nilan Street to Newfield Avenue will be located in part on HACH property that is east and south of the South Branch of the Park River; and

WHEREAS, When the South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail section from Flatbush Avenue to Nilan Street was built, no property rights were conveyed to the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, prior to construction of the section of the South Branch Park River Multi-Use Trail from Nilan Street to Newfield Avenue, the City must have property rights for all segments of the trail; and

WHEREAS, The HACH continues to support the transfer of the needed property right of an easement to the City of Hartford; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the conveyance of an easement, across the HACH property east and south of the South Branch of the Park River from the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford; 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 the above referenced property rights; and be it further

RESOLVED, that no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other aforesaid actions; and be it further

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