

# REVISED COUNCIL'S ACTIONS MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL APRIL 26, 2021

The Minutes of April 12, 2021 meeting were approved 9-0

#### **BUDGET FOR 2021-2022**

1. MAYOR BRONIN'S Budget Message and recommended General Fund Budget and Capital Improvement Program; Ordinance of Appropriations for General Fund: Ordinance concerning appropriations in the Capital Improvement Fund; Ordinance de Tax Levy on List of October 1, 2020.

Virtual Hearing Date Wednesday April 28, 2021 @ 6:00pm

Referred to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution requesting that the multi-year plan of \$116,698,000 Million for the use and allocation of the local and county relief funds under the American Rescue Plan is approved.

#### Referred to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee

**3. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the city to apply for a 12-month extension to complete work on a federal Ryan White CARES Act project, which ended on March 31, 2021. These funds will be used to support individuals with COVID-19 in Hartford and other municipalities supported by the grant.

<u>Consent</u>

**4. MAYOR BRONIN**, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a FY 2019 Homeland Security Grant (RILO) in the amount of \$60,000 from the State Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection.

### Referred to the Quality of Life & Public Safety Committee

**5. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept the FY 2020 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA Agreement in the amount of \$147,534 from the State of Connecticut Division of Criminal Justice.

# Referred to the Quality of Life & Public Safety Committee

**6. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a FY 2019 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$185,614 from the United States Department of Justice.

# Referred to the Quality of Life & Public Safety Committee

**7. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$600,000 from the State of Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD) for construction of the North Main Streetscape. The funds are from the State Bond Commission and are being administered through an Urban Act grant.

# Referred to the Planning, Economic Development and Housing Committee

**8. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution requesting that the Council enter into Executive Session during the Council meeting on Monday, April 26, 2021. A brief session is necessary in order to discuss the potential resolution of the 62-64 Kenyon Street v. City of Hartford matter.

Passed 9-0

**9. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, Communication** requesting that the Director of the Department of Emergency Services & Telecommunications along with Hartford's Chief Operating Officer provide an updated report at the next scheduled Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee Meeting on the Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG).

Action postponed until May 10, 2021

**10. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE,** Communication requesting that the Quality of Life and Public Safety Committee of the Court of Common Council take up at its next meeting the question of what recommendations to make, if any, concerning the impending renegotiation of the police union contract labor between the Hartford Police Union ("Union") and the City of Hartford.

Received

11. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, Communication to postpone the remaining items on the last OMBGA agenda due to time restraints and already scheduled public comment.

Received

**12.** (COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSADO) Communication concerning Universal Basic Income Taskforce initial report drafted by the membership and is being submitted to Council for review.

Consent

#### **REPORTS**

**13. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE,** with accompanying resolution confirming the appointment of I. Charles Mathews to the position of Director of the Department of Development Services.

<u>Consent</u>

**14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE,** with accompanying resolution confirming the appointments of Ms. Yvette Bello, Mr. Jim Shmerling, and Pastor AJ Johnson to the Hartford Board of Education

Consent

**15. QUALITY OF LIFE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant award under the 2020 Project Safe Neighborhoods grant program from the Office of the United States Attorney (USAO), District of Connecticut, in the amount of \$55,705.00.

Consent

**16. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE**, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City of Hartford to enter into a 10-year Tax Abatement Agreement with Hartford Assisted Living LP (HALLP) to support affordable rental housing located at 90 Retreat Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106, known as The Retreat Assisted Living Facility ("The Retreat").

Consent

17. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution that will authorize and empower the City to amend an agreement between the City and Diligent, at the request of the Clerk's office, to run for a term of three years instead of one year.

<u>Consent</u>

**18. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to waive buildings, permits, and related fees on a major public housing renovation being undertaken by the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford (HACH) at five locations: Mary Sheppard Place; 275-293 Bellevue St.; 7-21 Sanford St.; 123-125 Martin St., and 31-33 Capen St.

Council President Rosado recused

<u> Consent 8-0</u>

19. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to execute the terms of a Tax Lien sale at 20 Sargeant Street with 20 Sargent Street, LLC, owned by Max Kothari.

Consent

#### FOR ACTION

**20. ORDINANCE** amending Chapter 2, Appointments of Departments Heads Requirements, Section 850 Residency requirements of the Municipal Code.

Action postponed until May 10, 2021

**21. ORDINANCE** amending Chapter 27–Itinerant Vendors, Street Vendors, and Food Trucks of the Hartford Municipal Code.

Action postponed until May 10, 2021

22. (COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSADO) (COUNCILWOMAN BERMÚDEZ) (COUNCILMAN MICHTOM) (COUNCILWOMAN ROSSETTI) (COUNCILWOMAN SURGEON) (COUNCILMAN GALE) Resolution requesting that in honor of Roberto Clemente, the city of Hartford respectfully calls on the United States Secretary of the Interior to recognize the historical significance of Roberto Clemente's place of death in Loíza, Puerto Rico, by adding it to the National Register of Historical Places.

**Consent** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL Items # 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 were added by suspension of Rules 9-0

# COMMUNICATIONS

23. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution that would place that additional funding, should it be included in the State Budget that is ultimately adopted by the General Assembly and signed by the Governor, into the City's Capital Improvement Plan budget for investments in city infrastructure, including but not limited to parks, traffic calming, streets and sidewalks, and public safety radio infrastructure.

Referred to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee

**24. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution that would authorize the City to utilize \$5 million, which had been set aside in committed fund balance for addressing economic uncertainty, to the Capital Region Development Authority for the purposes of providing loans that will allow us to return city-owned property back on the tax rolls.

Referred to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee

**25. MAYOR BRONIN,** with accompanying resolution that would allow us to move forward with remediating city-owned blighted property, including but not limited to 270 Albany Avenue and adjoining retail properties. These properties were recently acquired by the city through a tax deed sale. **Referred to the Operations, Management, Budget and Government Accountability Committee** 

#### **REPORTS**

**26. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE,** with accompanying resolution confirming the re-appointment of Brian Gallagher and appointment of Nyesha McCauley as the representative of Friends of Bushnell Park to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC).

Consent

### **FOR ACTION**

**27. 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.

<u>Consent</u>

**28. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE,** with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Fifteen-Year Tax Fixing Agreement with Spinnaker Real Estate Partners, LLC of 1 North Water Street, Norwalk, CT.

**Consent** 

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