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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

740 MAIN STREET

EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING/1450 MAIN STREET

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair Donald Bell, Jr., Majority Leader Sebrina Wilson, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Connor Martin, Angela Parkinson, Awet Tsegai, Patricia Harmon and John Morrison

Chair Kehoe called the public hearing to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following is a copy of the legal notices published in the Journal Inquirer on Friday, January 24th and Friday, January 31st.

LEGAL

Public notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut, will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 7:15 p.m.** in the Town Council Chambers, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut, to hear public comment on the possible sale of 1450 Main Street.

Any person(s) wishing to express an opinion on this matter may do so at this meeting.

Angela Attenello
Town Council Clerk

Chair Kehoe briefly summarized the history of the building located at 1450 Main Street. He indicated that the building originally housed the Second North School and closed decades ago, after which the town leased the property to a catering service for ten years, which was then renewed for an additional ten years. The catering service went out of business and therefore is no longer leasing the property. The town put out a Request for Proposal twice in 2019. The town negotiated a sales price of \$352,000 with the buyers, which slightly exceeds the appraised value of \$350,000.

The following citizen came forward:

Robert Valerio, 552 Goodwin Street, questioned the assessed value of the property listed on the property tax assessment card as compared to the sales price of the property and the impact that would have on property taxes. The Chair noted the town owns the property and does not pay taxes on it. Therefore, the Tax Assessor's value was never challenged and reflects the value as of the October 2016 Grand List. The town had an appraiser conduct a new assessment which is more reflective of actual market value today.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Don Bell
 to **adjourn** (7:40 p.m.).
 Motion carried 9/0.

Attest Angela M. Attenello
Angela M. Attenello
Town Council Clerk