

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

August 16, 2022

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair Donald Bell, Jr., Majority Leader Sebrina Wilson, Minority Leader John Morrison, Councillors Angela Parkinson, Awet Tsegai (via Teams, in person as of 8:15 p.m.), Travis Simpson, Thomas Rup and Harry Amadasun, Jr.

ABSENT

ALSO Mayor Michael Walsh  
PRESENT Connor Martin, Chief of Staff  
Bruce Cohen, Acting Director of Inspections and Permits  
Ekaterine Tchelidze, Communication Specialist  
Tom Baptist, Project Manager- Sustainability  
Melissa McCaw, Director of Finance  
David Patrick, President, Downes Construction  
Mike Dell'Accio, Project Manager, Downes Construction  
Paul O'Sullivan, Grants Manager  
Kevin Munson, Fire Chief  
Tyron Harris, Human Resources Director

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:38 pm. The Chair stated that this meeting was also available to the public through the "Teams" platform.

The Chair announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381, after which the Council joined him in the pledge of allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MOTION By Don Bell  
seconded by Tom Rup

To add **Item 8I** under New Business: "Appointment to East Hartford Housing Authority"; to remove **Item 8C** under New Business: "East Hartford ARPA Nonprofit Support Program" and to remove **Item 8H-3** under New Business, Amusement Permit Applications: "India Association of Central Connecticut "Navratri 2022"

Motion carried 9/0

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

July 2022 Residential Beautification Commission Award: Orlando Shaw and Sheen Sommerville, 51 Central Avenue.

Pat Sirois, Chair of the Beautification Commission presented Sheen Sommerville with their monthly award for their decorative landscaping. The Council and those in attendance gave Ms. Sommerville a round of applause for her efforts.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Augustina Rivera, 199 Great Hill Road, presented the Council with a petition on behalf of the CSEA Local 2001 Union. The petition states the town has offered a premium pay stipend to those who worked in Town facilities during the pandemic, but only if the Union agrees to implement bi-weekly pay periods (vs. current weekly pay periods). Ms. Rivera stated that the premium should be provided without additional conditions.

Mayor Walsh stated (1) wished all a good evening; (2) Goldstar, Drennan and Terry Pools have closed as of Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup> and Lord and Martin Pools will be closing Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>; (3) The Health Department has provided resources regarding Monkeypox prevention on the Town website; (4) CT DEEP has called an invasive species alert to prevent the spread of the Spotted Lanternfly; (5) Free back to school haircuts for students will be offered Monday August 22<sup>nd</sup> as part of the Police Department's "Haircut with a Cop" program at Elexio's Barbershop located at 918 Main Street from 9 am-Noon. School supplies will also be distributed at the event; (6) Kickball at Martin Park is scheduled for Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 11 am- 3 pm.

*To accommodate those present, the following action was taken.*

MOTION        By Angie Parkinson  
                      seconded by Don Bell

to take Item 8H-2 "Believe 208- Run for the Brave and Finest" out of order.

Motion Carried 9/0.

#### Believe 208- Run for the Brave and Finest

MOTION        By Harry Amadasun  
                      seconded by John Morrison

to **approve** the outdoor amusement permit application and **waive** the associated permit fee for the event entitled "Believe 208- Run for the Brave and Finest" as submitted by Scott Sansom, Chief of Police, scheduled for Sunday, September 25, 2022 from 7:00 am to 11:00 am beginning at the Knights of Columbus located at 1831 Main Street with local road closures from 8:00 am to 9:30 am, subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies.

Motion carried 9/0.

Tricia Buchanan, widow of former East Hartford Police Officer Paul Buchanan spoke in support of this run. She has partnered with the CT Alliance of Law Enforcement. This will be the 8<sup>th</sup> running of the road race and all funds raised will support the Connecticut Alliance to Benefit Law Enforcement (CABLE), a non-profit that provides resources,

training and information on all aspects of first responder well-being. All are encouraged to attend.

*The meeting then returned to its regular order.*

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### August 2, 2022 Executive Session

MOTION        By Sebrina Wilson  
                     seconded by Travis Simpson

to **approve** the minutes of the August 2, 2022 Executive Session.

Motion carried 9/0.

### August 2, 2022 Regular Meeting

MOTION        By Sebrina Wilson  
                     seconded by Travis Simpson

to **approve** the minutes of the August 2, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Motion carried 9/0.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

### Inspections and Permits Department Update

Mayor Walsh introduced Bruce Cohen, Acting Director of Inspections and Permits who provided an update on recent staffing changes and efforts made to improve service within the department. Since March of 2022, the Department has issued 1,262 building permits, attended to 1,817 building inspections and served 672 property maintenance requests. The department has simplified the permitting process to encourage proper property maintenance. Director Cohen shared that new building codes will be implemented in October and efforts to utilize new technology have been put in place to enhance the image of the department and provide improved service.

Ekaterine Tchelidze, Communication Specialist, spoke of a recent communication campaign focused on the department. The campaign leveraged social media and the town newsletter, sharing various messaging on policy and procedures within the department.

### Town Hall Renovation Analysis Update

Mayor Walsh and Tom Baptist, Project Manager- Sustainability, provided a comparison of the bid responses received on July 28, 2022 (totaling \$23.3 million) with the anticipated cost value provided by Downes Construction at the July 12 meeting of \$19.5 million. Reviews of all bid packages have been completed to identify opportunities for savings that can potentially reduce the cost to \$21.46 million by removing less essential work from the project.

Mr. Baptist provided a list of action items considered “absolutely necessary” by Project Engineer BVH Integrated Services. Essential actions include replacing HVAC equipment and ductwork, replacing existing electrical infrastructure, replacing the roof and asbestos abatement amongst other items. The project team will continue to evaluate potential cost savings measures in the coming weeks.

Connor Martin, Chief of Staff, spoke to the current working conditions within Town Hall and the proposed relocation of a number of departments within the building in an effort to improve efficiency and provide a better experience with residents who require services within the building.

The Council requested further financial breakdown detailing the cost of essential work vs. the additional amount estimated for non-essential repairs and optional improvements.

#### Resignation: Boards and Commissions

The Chair acknowledged the resignation of Fady El-Hachem from the Public Building Commission. The town appreciates Mr. El-Hachem’s service to the community. The Chair then took a moment to recognize the recent passing of Cheryl Kennedy Gagne, who served as Chair of the Commission on Aging. The Chair encouraged anyone interested in either of these vacancies to fill out an application at [EastHartfordCT.gov](http://EastHartfordCT.gov) or contact Town Hall.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### Bond Referenda:

#### Road Improvement Program

MOTION        By Sebrina Wilson  
                     seconded by Angie Parkinson  
                     to **waive** the reading of Sections 2 through 7.

Motion carried 9/0

MOTION        By Sebrina Wilson  
                     seconded by Don Bell  
                     to **adopt** the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,000,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF TOWN ROADS, PARKING LOTS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD:

Section 1. The sum of \$15,000,000 shall be used by the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut (the “Town”) for one or more of the following: for the planning, design, construction and reconstruction of Town roads, parking lots, sidewalks and other infrastructure, including

rebuilding, resurfacing, drainage, conduits, and related subsurface and infrastructure improvements, and for administrative, legal and financing costs related thereto (the "Project").

Section 2. \$15,000,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the tenth year after their date. Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, legal and financing costs of issuing said bonds. The bonds shall be in the denominations of \$1,000, or any whole multiple in excess thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor and the Treasurer, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds, including approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes").

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance.

Section 4. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor and the Treasurer, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount of the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes or other obligations ("Tax Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of the Tax Exempt Obligations.

Section 6. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of certain events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as

amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section. 7. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and or grants-in-aid of any Project, to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof, and in connection therewith to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

On call of the vote, the motion carried 9/0.

#### Placement on the Ballot

MOTION By Sebrina Wilson  
seconded by Don Bell  
to **approve** the following:

RESOLVED: That the resolutions entitled "Resolution Authorizing The Issuance Of \$15,000,000 Bonds Of The Town For The Planning, Design, Construction And Reconstruction Of Town Roads, Parking Lots, Sidewalks And Other Infrastructure And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose", adopted by the Town Council on August 16, 2022, be submitted to the Town electors for approval or disapproval at a referendum in conjunction with the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (E.T.), and that the warning of said referendum shall state the question to be voted upon as follows:

"Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Authorizing The Issuance Of \$15,000,000 Bonds Of The Town For The Planning, Design, Construction And Reconstruction Of Town Roads, Parking Lots, Sidewalks And Other Infrastructure And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', adopted by the Town Council on August 16, 2022, be approved?"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the \$15,000,000 bond authorization for the planning, design, construction and reconstruction of Town roads, Town parking lots and sidewalks be approved?"

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

The warning shall also state that the full text of the aforesaid resolutions is on file, open to public inspection, in the office of the Town Clerk, that the vote on the aforesaid bond resolutions is taken under the authority of Chapter VI Section 6.10 of the Charter of the Town of East Hartford, and Chapter 152 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, and that absentee ballots will be available in accordance with law in the office of the Town Clerk.

Motion carried 9/0.

## Explanatory Text Publication and Payment Thereof for Bond Referenda

MOTION      By Sebrina Wilson  
                  seconded by Don Bell

that the Town Clerk prepare for publication the explanatory text regarding the bond referenda and that those costs be paid for by the Town Clerk.

Motion carried 9/0.

## Fire Equipment Acquisition and Replacement

MOTION      By Sebrina Wilson  
                  seconded by Don Bell  
                  to **waive** the reading of Sections 2 through 7.

Motion carried 7/0 (Tsegai/Simpson out of Chamber)

MOTION      By Sebrina Wilson  
                  seconded by Don Bell  
                  to **adopt** the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,000,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF FIRE SUPPRESSION AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD:

Section 1. The sum of \$3,000,000 shall be used by the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut (the "Town") for one or more of the following: the acquisition and replacement of a tower ladder truck, a pumper truck, self-contained breathing apparatus and rope rescue and other fire suppression and rescue equipment for the Fire Department, and for administrative, legal and financing costs related thereto (together, the "Projects").

Section 2. \$3,000,000 bonds of the Town or so much thereof as shall be necessary for such purpose, shall be issued, maturing not later than the tenth year after their date. Said bonds may be issued in one or more series as determined by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance in the amount necessary to meet the Town's share of the cost of the Project, provided that the total amount of bonds to be issued shall not be less than an amount which will provide funds sufficient with other funds available for such purpose to pay the principal of and the interest on all temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds outstanding at the time of the issuance thereof, and to pay for the administrative, legal and financing costs of issuing said bonds. The bonds shall be in the denominations of \$1,000, or any whole multiple in excess thereof, be issued in fully registered form, be executed in the name and on behalf of the Town by the facsimile or manual signatures of the Mayor and the Treasurer, bear the Town seal or a facsimile thereof, be certified by a bank or trust company which bank or trust company may be designated the registrar and transfer agent, be payable at a bank or trust company and be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut. The bonds shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds of each series to be issued, the annual installments of principal, redemption provisions, if any, the certifying, registrar and transfer agent and paying agent, the date, time of issue and sale and other terms, details and particulars of such bonds including approval of the rate or rates of interest, shall be determined by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of

Finance in accordance with the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, as amended from time to time (the "Connecticut General Statutes").

Section 3. Said bonds shall be sold by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance in a competitive offering or by negotiation, in their discretion. If sold in a competitive offering, the bonds shall be sold at not less than par and accrued interest on the basis of the lowest net or true interest cost to the Town. A notice of sale or a summary thereof describing the bonds and setting forth the terms and conditions of the sale shall be published at least five days in advance of the sale in a recognized publication carrying municipal bond notices and devoted primarily to financial news and the subject of state and municipal bonds. If the bonds are sold by negotiation, provisions of the purchase agreement shall be approved by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance.

Section 4. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are authorized to make temporary borrowings in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of said bonds. Notes evidencing such borrowings shall be signed by the Mayor and the Treasurer, have the seal of the Town affixed, be payable at a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance, be approved as to their legality by Robinson & Cole LLP, Attorneys-at-Law, of Hartford, Connecticut, and be certified by a bank or trust company designated by the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance pursuant to Section 7-373 of the Connecticut General Statutes. They shall be issued with maturity dates which comply with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes governing the issuance of such notes. The notes shall be general obligations of the Town and each of the notes shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issue has been duly complied with, that such note is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the Town are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The net interest cost on such notes, including renewals thereof, and the expense of preparing, issuing and marketing them, to the extent paid from the proceeds of such renewals or said bonds, shall be included as a cost of the Project. Upon the sale of the bonds, the proceeds thereof, to the extent required, shall be applied forthwith to the payment of the principal of and the interest on any such notes then outstanding or shall be deposited with a bank or trust company in trust for such purpose.

Section 5. The Town hereby expresses its official intent pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Federal Income Tax Regulations, Title 26 (the "Regulations"), to reimburse expenditures paid sixty days prior to and anytime after the date of passage of this resolution in the maximum amount of the Project with the proceeds of bonds, notes or other obligations ("Tax-Exempt Obligations") authorized to be issued by the Town. The Tax-Exempt Obligations shall be issued to reimburse such expenditures not later than 18 months after the later of the date of the expenditure or the substantial completion of the Project, or such later date the Regulations may authorize. The Town hereby certifies that the intention to reimburse as expressed herein is based upon its reasonable expectations as of this date. The Director of Finance or his designee is authorized to pay Project expenses in accordance herewith pending the issuance of the Tax-Exempt Obligations.

Section 6. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into agreements or otherwise covenant for the benefit of bondholders to provide information on an annual or other periodic basis to Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") and to provide notices to the MSRB of certain events as enumerated in Securities and Exchange Commission Exchange Act Rule 15c2-12, as amended, as may be necessary, appropriate or desirable to effect the sale of the bonds and notes authorized by this resolution. Any agreements or representations to provide information to MSRB made prior hereto are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Section 7. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any other agreements, instruments, documents and certificates, including tax and investment agreements, for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution. The Mayor, the Treasurer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and accept any and all Federal and State loans and or grants-in-aid of any Project, to expend said funds in accordance with the terms hereof, and in connection therewith to contract in the name of the Town with engineers, contractors and others.

On call of the vote, the motion carried 9/0.

#### Placement on the Ballot

MOTION      By Sebrina Wilson  
                    seconded by Don Bell  
                    to **approve** the following:



“Shall the resolution entitled ‘Resolution Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,000,000 Bonds Of The Town For The Replacement Of Fire Suppression And Rescue Equipment And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose’, adopted by the Town Council on August 16, 2022, be approved?”

“Shall the \$3,000,000 bond authorization for the replacement of fire suppression and rescue equipment be approved?”

Motion carried 9/0.

## Explanatory Text Publication and Payment Thereof for Bond Referenda

**MOTION** By Sebrina Wilson  
seconded by John Morrison

that the Town Clerk prepare for publication the explanatory text regarding the bond referenda and that those costs be paid for by the Town Clerk.

Motion carried 9/0.

Designation of ARPA Funds re: Qualified Seniors Disproportionately Impacted by COVID-19

MOTION By Don Bell  
seconded by Tom Rup  
to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**; studies by the NORC at the University of Chicago and the University of Washington have found that the COVID-19 pandemic disproportionately impacts older adults and their caregivers, and;

**WHEREAS**; the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Final Rule allows recipients to identify classes of household populations that have experienced a disproportionate impact based on academic research or government research publications, and;

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED;** that the East Hartford Town Council hereby designates Town residents aged 55 and older and their caregivers as a COVID-19 disproportionately impacted population, thereby making all clients of the East Hartford Senior Center automatically eligible for ARPA-funded services.

Real Estate Acquisition and Disposition Committee- Acting as a Committee of the Whole-  
re: Aviation Clearance Easements

**MOTION** By Angie Parkinson  
seconded by Tom Rup

That the Town Council, acting as a committee of the whole for the Real Estate Acquisition and Disposition Committee, hereby determines to negotiate directly with the Connecticut Airport Authority and not seek bids with respect to granting clearance easements on the properties known as 54 South Meadow Lane, 17 South Meadow Lane, 28 South Meadow Lane and 50 South Meadow Lane (the "Property"), waive the appraisal requirement set forth in section 10-19(c) of Town Ordinances, agree to grant clearance easements on the Property to the Connecticut Airport Authority, and hereby authorize the Mayor to execute the easements and all associated documentation.

Motion carried 9/0.

Memorandum of Understanding between National Development Company and Town of East Hartford re: Rentschler Field Development

**MOTION** By Angie Parkinson  
seconded by Awet Tsegai

that pursuant to §3.4(c) of the East Hartford Town Charter, the Town Council **approve** the Impact Memorandum of Understanding between the ND Acquisitions LLC and the Town of East Hartford as attached to a memo from Mayor Michael P. Walsh to Town Council Chair Richard Kehoe dated August 9, 2022

Motion carried 9/0.

Referral to Personnel and Pensions Subcommittee re: Social Services Supervisor Job Description

MOTION        By Awet Tsegai  
                     seconded by Don Bell

to refer to the Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee the job description with proposed revisions entitled “Social Services Supervisor”, a position within the Social Services Department as provided in a memo from Tyron Harris, Human Resources Director to Mayor Michael P. Walsh dated August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 with instructions to review the position and report back to the full Council with its recommendations, if any.

Motion carried 9/0.

Referral to Fees Committee re: Senior Center Room Rental

MOTION        By Harry Amadasun  
                     seconded by Awet Tsegai

to refer to the Fees Committee the recommended fee schedule for the East Hartford Senior Center and approval of policy for use of the Senior Center Building as provided by Mayor Michael P. Walsh in a memo to Town Council Chair Richard Kehoe on August 10, 2022 and report back to the full Council with its recommendations, if any.

Motion carried 9/0.

Amusement Permit Applications

Eversource Hartford Marathon Addendum

MOTION        By Awet Tsegai  
                     seconded by Travis Simpson

to **approve** the revised outdoor amusement permit application entitled “Addendum-Eversource Hartford Marathon” as submitted by Scott Sansom, Chief of Police, scheduled for Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to be revised as follows:

“The race course is being adjusted to detour participants from King Street onto Brook Street and then onto Main Street due to road construction”

Approval is subject to compliance with adopted codes and regulations of the State of Connecticut, the Town of East Hartford, and any other stipulations required by the Town of East Hartford or its agencies.

Motion carried 9/0.

India Association of Central Connecticut “Navratri 2022”

*This item was removed from the Agenda.*

Appointment to East Hartford Housing Authority

MOTION        By Don Bell  
                         seconded by John Morrison

to appoint Allen Harrison, Jr. as Commissioner to the East Hartford  
Housing Authority Board, term to run through July 31, 2027.

Motion carried 9/0.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

Councillor Tsegai recommended that an accessible sidewalk ramp be installed at the intersection of Brewer Street and Roxbury Road. *The Mayor acknowledged the issue, noting that ramps are installed when the adjacent road is being repaved. A similar issue along Hills Street at the crossing of Skyline Drive also needs to be addressed.* The Councillor also acknowledged the efforts for safety that have been made with the installation of stop signs replacing the stop light at the intersection of Brewer and Forbes streets

Councillor Morrison requested clarity regarding the Redevelopment Agency action item which authorized the Chair of the Agency to execute the contract for sale with Habitat for Humanity of the property at 550-560 Burnside Avenue at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Redevelopment Agency Special Meeting. *Mayor Walsh believes that the Redevelopment Agency approved the motion as owners of the land.*

Councillor Simpson asked when lines would be painted on recent temporary overlay patchwork of town roads. *The Mayor anticipates that painting will begin towards the end of August and continue into the fall.* The Councillor also requested an update on Town-owned property that may be considered for sale.

#### COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

The pending CHRO claim know as Jacqueline Guadalupe-Rodriguez v. Town of East Hartford, CHRO Case No.2140322

MOTION        By Sebrina Wilson  
                         seconded by Travis Simpson

to accept the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to fully and finally settle the pending CHRO claim known as Jacqueline Guadalupe-Rodriguez v. Town of East Hartford, CHRO Case No.2140322, involving former Board of Education employee, Jacqueline Guadalupe-Rodriguez for a total sum of \$1000.00.

Motion carried 9/0.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

No one came forward.

#### ADJOURNMENT

MOTION        By John Morrison  
                         seconded by Don Bell

to **adjourn** (10:58 p.m.)

Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair wished all a good evening and announced that the next regular meeting of the Town Council would be on September 6, 2022.

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Marshall  
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK