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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

740 MAIN STREET

EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

AUGUST 18, 2020

TOWN CLERK
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PUBLIC HEARING/PROPOSED BONDS:

ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM , TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENTS and EAST
HARTFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL AND EAST HARTFORD HIGH SCHOOL ROOFS
REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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

ABSENT Councillors Patricia Harmon and John Morrison

ALSO Mayor Marcia Leclerc
PRESENT Linda Trzetzak, Finance Director
Eileen Buckheit, Development Director

Chair Kehoe called the public hearing to order at 7:11 p.m. The Chair noted that tonight's meeting is a hybrid of the physical presence of most of the Councillors and the ability of the public to call in for comments and questions. He then asked the Council to join him in the pledge of allegiance.

The following is a copy of a legal notice published in the Journal Inquirer on Tuesday, August 11th.

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The Town Council of the Town of East Hartford will hold a Public Hearing in Council Chambers, or by video conference, on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public comment on the following proposed bond resolutions:

1. Resolution appropriating \$15,000,000 for the planning, design, construction and reconstruction of town roads, town parking lots and sidewalks and authorizing the issuance of \$15,000,000 bonds of the town to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose
2. Resolution appropriating \$10,000,000 for the planning, design, acquisition, reconstruction and equipping of improvements to town buildings and authorizing the issuance of \$10,000,000 bonds of the town to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose
3. Resolution appropriating \$11,620,000 for the planning, design, acquisition, reconstruction and equipping of the East Hartford High School and East Hartford Middle School roofs and authorizing the issuance of \$4,000,000 bonds of the town to meet said appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose

Copies of said resolutions are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk and the Town Council.

Angela Attenello, Town Council Clerk

Chair Kehoe summarized the background information on each resolution.

Road Repair Program: the proposed \$15M will continue the town's progress in repaving and repairing the roads – approximately 40% of the town's roads have been addressed.


Town Buildings Improvement Project: the proposed \$10M will be used for a number of historic and important town-owned buildings that are in need of repairs: Town Hall, Veterans Memorial Clubhouse (a.k.a. Hilltop), Wickham Library and possibly other buildings as funds permit.

East Hartford Middle School and East Hartford High School Roofs Replacement Project: this bond issue is for the East Hartford Public Schools System and therefore will benefit from approximately 70% reimbursement from the state. This means that while the project will cost \$11.6M, the town's actual outlay is \$4M.

No one came forward to speak.

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Don Bell
 to **adjourn** (7:17 p.m.).
 Motion carried 7/0.

Attest



Angela M. Attenello
Town Council Clerk