



WEST HARTFORD

West Hartford Town Council Meeting Minutes
50 South Main Street Legislative Chambers, Room 314
Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM

Present: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Cortes, McGinnis, Polun, Walters and Deputy Mayor Wenograd; also Present: Council Zoning Alternates Judy Casperson and Burke Doar; Absent: Councilors Fay and Zydanowicz

2. Proclamations

NONE

3. Public Forum

NONE

4. Consent Calendar

Without Objection, Motion to Place Items 5A, 5B, 7A, 7B and 10A on the Consent Calendar (Wenograd)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

Motion to Adopt the Consent Calendar (Wenograd)
Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Meeting Minutes - July 16, 2024

CONSENT

B. Public Hearing Minutes - July 16, 2024 Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Easements to Support an Infrastructure Improvement Project on 1800 Asylum Avenue and 1710 Asylum Avenue

CONSENT

6. Unfinished Business

A. Application filed on behalf of SF WH PROPERTY OWNER, LLC, the owner of Special Development District (SDD) #6, more commonly known as the Corbin Collection, to amend the existing SDD to accommodate a new proposed indoor recreation or amusement facility with restaurant in the upper level of the former Sears building. Contemplated improvements include, façade, signage and site modifications.

Motion to Approve (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: Blanks, Cantor, Cortes, McGinnis, Polun, Walters, Wenograd, Council Zoning Alternate Burke Doar seated for Councilor Fay and Council Zoning Alternate Judy Casperson seated for Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: None

B. Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Easements to Support an Infrastructure Improvement Project on 1800 Asylum Avenue and 1710 Asylum Avenue

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: Blanks, Cantor, Cortes, McGinnis, Polun, Walters and Wenograd

NAY: None

7. New Business

A. Reappointment of Gordon Binkhorst as a Member of the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2029

CONSENT

B. Appointment of Joseph Righenzi as an Alternate Member of the Civilian Police Review Board for a term to expire December 31, 2026

CONSENT

8. Reports of Town Manager

A. Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Richard Ledwith presented his report to the Council.

9. Reports of Corporation Counsel

A. Corporation Counsel's Report

Corporation Counsel Dallas Dodge explained that the Council will need to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation to wit: Jacqueline Garcia, Administratrix of the Estate of Mike Alexander-Garcia Jr. v. Town of West Hartford and Officer Andrew Teeter

Without Objection, Motion to Suspend the Rules for the purpose of Opening the

Agenda to add an Executive session to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation to wit: Jacqueline Garcia, Administratrix of the Estate of Mike Alexander-Garcia Jr. v. Town of West Hartford and Officer Andrew Teeter

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

Without Objection, Motion to Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation to wit: Jacqueline Garcia, Administratrix of the Estate of Mike Alexander-Garcia Jr. v. Town of West Hartford and Officer Andrew Teeter

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

The Council entered into Executive Session at 7:08 PM. The Council was joined by Town Manager Richard Ledwith, Corporation Counsel Dallas Dodge, Deputy Corporation Counsel Gina Varano and Assistant Corporation Counsel Cynthia Lauture. The Council exited Executive Session at 7:25 PM.

10. Communications

A. Communication from Rachael Virgin resigning from the Sustainable West Hartford Commission effective July 30, 2024

CONSENT

11. Announcements

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Mayor Cantor and Councilors announced upcoming events and information.

12. Adjournment

Without Objection, Motion to Adjourn (Cantor)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY)

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM.