



West Hartford Town Council Meeting Minutes
50 South Main Street Legislative Chambers - Room 314
Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 7:30 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM.

Present: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Cortes, Fay (by phone), McGinnis, Polun, Walters, Deputy Mayor Wenograd and Zydanowicz (by phone until 8:13 PM, in person until 8:25 PM)

2. Proclamations

NONE

3. Public Forum

NONE

4. Consent Calendar

A. Consent Calendar

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

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

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

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Public Hearing Minutes - February 25, 2025 Application filed on behalf of Vessel RE Holdings LLC and Vessel Technologies, Inc., contractor purchaser of 29 Highland Street, for change of zone of approximately 2.3 +/- acres of the site from a RI single-family zone to a RM-1 multifamily residence district with Special Development District Designation overlay for the redevelopment of the site into a new 112 unit multifamily residential development which will qualify as a "set-aside development" under General Statutes Section 8-30g. Associated parking and site amenities are also proposed.

CONSENT

B. Town Council Public Hearing Minutes - March 11, 2025 Application filed on behalf of Vessel RE Holdings LLC and Vessel Technologies, Inc., contractor purchaser of 29 Highland Street, for change of zone of approximately 2.3 +/- acres of the site from a RI single-family zone to a RM-1 multifamily residence district with Special Development District Designation overlay for the redevelopment of the site into a new 112 unit multifamily residential development which will qualify as a "set-aside development" under General Statutes Section 8-30g. Associated parking and site amenities are also proposed.

CONSENT

C. Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - March 11, 2025

CONSENT

D. Town Council Meeting Minutes - March 11, 2025

CONSENT

E. Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - March 20, 2025

CONSENT

6. Unfinished Business

NONE

7. New Business

A. Ordinance Concerning Amusement Devices

Without Objection, Motion to Receive and Refer to Town Plan and Zoning Commission (TPZ) and Set for Public Hearing on May 13, 2025 at 7:15 PM (Wenograd)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

B. Resolution Adopting the Modified Depreciation Schedule for Motor Vehicles

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 1 NAY)

YEA: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Cortes, McGinnis, Polun, Walters, Deputy Mayor Wenograd and Zydanowicz

NAY: Councilor Fay

C. Resolution Accepting a Bequest from the Arthur R. Carling Revocable Trust to Support the Fire Department

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

D. Resolution Accepting a Grant from Youth Recovery CT to Support Youth Prevention Services

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

E. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Permanent Easements to Support the Development Project at 10-50 Starkel Road

Without Objection, Motion to Refer to Town Plan and Zoning Commission (TPZ)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 0 NAY, 2 RECUSED)

YEA: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Fay, McGinnis, Polun, Walters, Zydanowicz

NAY: NONE

RECUSED: Councilors Cortes and Deputy Mayor Wenograd

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 confirmed that the Council will need to hold an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

10. Communications

A. SDD #156 – Center Park Place - Notice of Town Planner's intention to approve, pursuant to section 177-44C (9)(a)(b)(c)(d)(e) a request filed on behalf of The Arapahoe Group, LLC for revisions to the approved Special Development District plan (SDD #156) located at 8 & 12 Arapahoe Rd., 1001 Farmington Ave., 25-43 and 53-65 LaSalle Rd. The request is for proposed area measurement, architectural, landscape, arrangement and number of parking spaces, and the location of accessory structures changes all to accommodate overall design enhancements related to project constructability.

CONSENT

11. Announcements

A. Announcements

Mayor Cantor and Councilors announced upcoming events and information.

12. Executive Session

A. Executive Session pursuant to section 1-200(6)(B) of the Connecticut General Statutes to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation, to wit: *Kali Keish v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Docket No. HHD-CV-23-6171652-S

Without Objection, Motion to Enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation, to wit: *Kali Keish v. Town of West*

Hartford, et al. Docket No. HHD-CV-23-6171652-S.
MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

The Council entered executive session at 8:13 pm. Corporation Counsel, Attorney Andrew Glass from Karsten & Tallberg and the Town Manager were invited to attend. The Council exited Executive Session at 8:23 pm.

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)
Second (Polun)
MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

13. Adjournment

A. Adjourn

Without Objection, Motion to Adjourn (Cantor)
MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.