



West Hartford Town Council Meeting Minutes
50 South Main Street Legislative Chambers, Room 314
Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 7:30 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

Present: Councilors Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Cortes, Fay (by phone), McGinnis, Polun, Walters, and Deputy Mayor Wenograd; Absent: Councilor Zydanowicz

2. Proclamations

A. Proclamations

Mayor Cantor issued Proclamations recognizing Judge Carl E Taylor, National Magic Week 2025 and Hispanic Heritage Month

3. Public Forum

NONE

4. Consent Calendar

A. Consent Calendar

Items to be Proposed for Consent: 5A, 5B, 5C, 7D, 7E, 10A, 10B

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

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

Motion to Adopt the Consent Calendar (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Meeting Minutes September 29, 2025

CONSENT

B. Public Hearing Minutes September 29, 2025 - Ordinance Concerning Fees for Use of Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment in Town Operated Parking Facilities

CONSENT

C. Public Hearing Minutes September 29, 2025 - Ordinance Concerning Parking in the Isham and Memorial Garages

CONSENT

6. Unfinished Business

NONE

7. New Business

A. Resolution Authorizing Suspense of Taxes Owed on the 2021 Grand List for Motor Vehicles and Personal Property

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

B. Resolution Appropriating Miniature Alcohol Container Surcharge Funds for Environmental Impact Initiatives

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

C. Resolution Appropriating Grant Funds to Support Early Voting

Motion to Adopt (Wenograd)

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

D. Appointment of Cara Paiuk as a Member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2025

CONSENT

E. Appointment of Sue Collins as a Member of the Human Rights Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2025

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 Dodge noted that the Council will enter into Executive Session.

10. Communications

A. Communication from Bruno Venero resigning from the Human Rights Commission

effective September 22, 2025

CONSENT

B. Communication from Nastajha Ortiz resigning from the Fair Rent Commission effective September 19, 2025

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: *Tad Gitman v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Docket No. HHD-CV-24-6194263-S

Without Objection, Motion to Enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending litigation, to wit: *Tad Gitman v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Docket No. HHD-CV-24-6194263-S

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

The Council entered into Executive Session at 8:12 PM. The Council was joined by Town Manager Richard Ledwith, Corporation Counsel Dallas Dodge and Attorney Andrew Glass. The Council exited Executive Session at 8:19 PM.

Without Objection, Motion to Add an Item to the Agenda to Settle Pending Litigation (Wenograd)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

Motion to Adopt a Resolution to Settle Pending Litigation: *Tad Gitman v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Docket No. HHD-CV-24-6194263-S

Second (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

13. Adjournment

A. Adjourn

Without Objection, Motion to Adjourn (Cantor)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

SUSPENSE

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CORPORATION COUNSEL TO SETTLE PENDING LITIGATION:
*TAD GITMAN V. TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD, ET AL.***

WHEREAS, there is litigation pending against the Town of West Hartford captioned *Tad Gitman v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Superior Court, Judicial District of Hartford, Docket No. HHD-CV-24-6194263-S; and

WHEREAS, both parties wish to fully and forever settle any and all differences, disputes and claims that they may have against each other related to this case; and

WHEREAS, a settlement of the claims is in the best interests of the Town of West Hartford and shall not in any way be construed as an admission of any liability or wrongdoing by the Town or any of its employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WEST HARTFORD THAT the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to settle the pending litigation captioned *Tad Gitman v. Town of West Hartford, et al.*, Superior Court, Judicial District of Hartford, Docket No. HHD-CV-24-6194263-S, in the amount of \$45,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate such settlement.

(LEDWITH)
October 14, 2025