



West Hartford Town Council Meeting Minutes
50 South Main Street Legislative Chambers - Room 314
Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 7:30 PM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Cantor called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM

Present: Mayor Cantor, Councilors Harris, Lyons, Lazarus, McGinnis, Deputy Mayor Polun, Walters, Wang and Wenograd

2. Proclamations

A. Proclamations

NONE

3. Public Forum

NONE

4. Consent Calendar

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

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

Motion to Adopt the Consent Calendar (Polun)

Second (McGinnis)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Meeting Minutes March 10, 2026

CONSENT

B. Public Hearing Minutes March 10, 2026 - Ordinance Concerning Site Plan Approval of Affordable Housing Developments

CONSENT

6. Unfinished Business

NONE

7. New Business

A. Resolution Concerning a Lease at 707 Oakwood Avenue

Without Objection, Motion to Refer to Town Plan and Zoning Commission (TPZ) (Polun)
MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

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

Mr. Dodge confirmed that the Council will need to enter into Executive Session.

10. Communications

A. Communication from Carolyn Thompson resigning from the Zoning Board of Appeals effective January 1, 2026

CONSENT

11. Announcements

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Mayor Cantor and Councilors announced upcoming events and information.

12. Executive Session

A. Executive Session pursuant to section 1-200(6)(E) of the Connecticut General Statutes regarding discussion of an Attorney-Client Privileged and Confidential Legal Memorandum.

Without Objection, Motion to enter into Executive Session to Discuss Attorney-Client Privileged and Confidential Legal Memorandum (Polun)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

The Council entered into Executive Session at 7:47 PM. The Council was joined by Town Manager Richard Ledwith, Corporation Counsel Dallas Dodge and Deputy Corporation Counsel Gina Varano. The Council exited Executive Session at 8:28 PM.

13. Adjournment

A. Adjourn

Without Objection, Motion to Adjourn (Cantor)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING A LEASE AT 707 OAKWOOD AVENUE

WHEREAS, Hunt & Hall, LLC is the owner of property located at 707 Oakwood Avenue situated at the corner of Brixton Street and Oakwood Avenue (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property is adjacent to the Town’s public works facility located at 17 Brixton Street; and

WHEREAS, the Town executed a parking lot lease on March 20, 2006, (the “Lease”) for the purpose of utilizing a portion of the Property as additional employee and patron parking in connection with the operation and use of the public works facility; and

WHEREAS, the area subject to the Lease is approximately 36 feet x 120 feet and is located near the entrance to the public works facility (the “Leased Premises”); and

WHEREAS, the Town does not have a financial obligation to compensate the owner for the use of the Leased Premises, however the Town is required to grant tax exempt status to the Leased Premises in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §12-81(4)(B); and

WHEREAS, the Town continues to need additional parking, and the Town Manager recommends that the Lease term be extended for a period of ten years to expire March 31, 2036.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WEST HARTFORD THAT the Town Manager is authorized to execute a lease amendment to extend the term of the lease to March 31, 2036, on such terms and conditions as may be necessary to utilize the leased area for employee and patron parking, all such terms and conditions subject to the review and approval of the Corporation Counsel.

(LEDWITH)
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