



WEST HARTFORD

**West Hartford Town Council Meeting
Town Hall Legislative Chambers - Room 314
Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7:30 PM**

This meeting was held in Legislative Chambers, Room 314 and the public had the ability to view the meeting in real-time on West Hartford Community Interactive: Comcast Channel 5, Frontier TV Channel 6098, and streaming on the WHCI website.

1. Meeting Opening

A. Call to Order

Mayor Cantor called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Present: Councilor Billings-Smith, Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

Absent: Councilor Fay

2. Proclamations

A. Proclamation, West Hartford Squires

Mayor Cantor issued a Proclamation for the West Hartford Squires

B. Proclamation, Superintendent of the Year

Mayor Cantor issued a Proclamation for the Superintendent of the Year Tom Moore

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Meeting Minutes 10-26-2021, 11-16-2021

**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO APPROVE (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)**

4. Public Forum

A. Any resident or taxpayer of the town may address the Council regarding any item on the agenda which is not otherwise subject to public hearing.

NONE

5. Consideration of Consent Calendar

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WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO PLACE ITEMS 7E, 7I, 7J, 7K, 11B THROUGH 11S, 12A, 12B, 12C, 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, AND 14F ON CONSENT

CALENDAR (SWEENEY)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

6. Unfinished Business

A. Ordinance Prohibiting the Operation of All Terrain Vehicles on Public Property

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (8) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: (0)

B. Resolution Adopting Standing Rules for the 2021-2023 Term of the West Hartford Town Council

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (8) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: (0)

7. New Business

A. Application filed on behalf of Farmington Avenue Acquisitions, LLC, owner of 920 and 924 Farmington Avenue. The stated purpose of the application is to request a change of the underlying zone for .98 acres currently split zoned BC (Central Business District) and RM-3 (Multifamily Residence District) to (CBDH) Central Business High Intensive District with a new Special Development District (SDD) designation for a proposed new mixed-use development.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO REFER TO TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION (TPZ), DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DRAC) AND SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 25, 2022 AT 6:30 PM. (SWEENEY)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

B. Application filed on behalf of JJJ New Britain Avenue Associates, LLC, owner of 12 Grove Street, 1105-1115 New Britain Avenue and 5 Newington Road. The stated purpose of the application is to request a change of the underlying zone for 12 Grove Street, currently zoned R-6 (One-Family Residence District) to RP (Residence Parking District) and then the designation of 12 Grove Street, 1105-1115 New Britain Avenue and 5 Newington Road to a new Special Development District (SDD) to allow for the expansion of a parking lot area to support the existing commercial properties on New Britain Avenue.

**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO REFER TO TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION (TPZ), DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DRAC) AND SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 8, 2022 AT 6:30 PM. (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)**

C. Ordinance Extending the Moratorium on Certain Uses Not Supportive of Transit-Oriented Development

**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO REFER TO TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION (TPZ), CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (CRCOG), THE CITY OF HARTFORD AND SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 25, 2022 AT 6:15 PM. (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)**

D. Ordinance Appropriating an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,500,000 in the Capital Improvement Fund for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 for the Construction of the Eisenhower Park Swimming Pool and Bath House and Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds of the Town in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,500,000 to Finance the Appropriation and Pending the Issuance Thereof the Making of Temporary Borrowing for Such Purpose

**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 11, 2022 AT 7:00 PM. (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)**

E. Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget to Fund Transfers to the Capital Non-Recurring Expenditure Fund and to Accrue for Expenditures Related to Tax Assessment Appeals

CONSENT

F. Resolution Appropriating American Rescue Plan Act Grant Funds

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (8) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: (0)

G. Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Eisenhower Park Swimming Pool and Bath

House Project

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (8) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: (0)

H. Resolution Authorizing the Town of West Hartford to Participate in the National Opioid Settlement Agreements

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (8) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Zydanowicz

NAY: (0)

I. Resolution Appropriating Grant Funds Awarded Under the Department of Transportation's Click It or Ticket Campaign

CONSENT

J. Resolution Appropriating a Leary Firefighters Foundation Grant

CONSENT

K. Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget of the Community Development Block Grant Fund and the Capital Projects Fund to Support a Futures Inc. Project

CONSENT

8. Reports of Town Manager

A. Town Manager's Report

9. Reports of Corporation Counsel

A. Corporation Counsel's Report

10. Announcements

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11. Appointments

A. Resolution Appointing Dallas C. Dodge as Corporation Counsel

MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)

SECOND (DAVIDOFF)

MOTION CARRIES (7 YEA, 1 NAY)

YEA: (7) Councilor Blanks, Councilor Billings-Smith, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Cortes, Councilor Davidoff, Deputy Mayor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd

NAY: (1) Councilor Zydanowicz

B. Appointment of Teri Michaud to the Board of Assessors for a term to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

C. Reappointment of Stephanie Barnes to the Commission on Ethics for a term to expire on November 16, 2023

CONSENT

D. Reappointment of Sandra Fry and Jill Morawski to the Pedestrian & Bicycle Commission for terms to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

E. Reappointment of Elizabeth Gillette to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

F. Reappointment of Joshua Kaplan as an Alternate Member of the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

G. Reappointment of Judy Casperson and Carl Donatelli as Town Council Zoning Alternates for terms to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

H. Reappointment of James Healey to the Board of Assessors for a term to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

I. Reappointment of Adam Keating to the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

J. Reappointment of Veronica Badiola and Robin Kallor to the Civilian Police Review Board for terms to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

K. Reappointment of Chuck Coursey and Karen Bachman to the Commission on the

Arts for terms to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

L. Reappointment of Emilee Scott, Matthew Macunas and Emily Graner-Sexton to the Conservation & Environment Commission for terms to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

M. Reappointment of David Hines as an Alternate Member of the Design Review Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

N. Reappointment of Tara McNeil to the Advisory Commission for Persons with Disabilities for a term to expire December 31, 2024

CONSENT

O. Reappointment of Clare Dowd and Milagros Acosta to the West Hartford Housing Authority for terms to expire December 31, 2026

CONSENT

P. Reappointment of Gail Crockett to the Library Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2026

CONSENT

Q. Reappointment of Tanja Low to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board for a term to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

R. Reappointment of Kate Hamilton to the Commission on Veterans' Affairs for a term to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

S. Reappointment of Carl Shields to the West Hartford Prevention Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2024

CONSENT

12. Reports of Standing or Special Committees

A. Community Planning and Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes 9-24-2021

CONSENT

B. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes 9-1-2021

CONSENT

C. Public Works and Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes 8-26-2021

CONSENT

13. Consent Calendar

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**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO ADOPT (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)**

14. Communications

A. Special Services District Board Meeting Minutes 11-16-2021

CONSENT

B. Communication from James Capella resigning from the Clean Energy Commission effective October 6, 2021

CONSENT

C. Communication from Ethan Goldman resigning from the Town Pension Board effective November 16, 2021

CONSENT

D. Communication from Amy Lynn Silverman resigning from the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission effective November 17, 2021

CONSENT

E. Communication from PJ Louis resigning from the Town Plan and Zoning Commission effective December 1, 2021

CONSENT

F. Notice of Town Planner's intention to approve, pursuant to Section 177-44C 9(b)(d)(e)(f), a request on behalf of LEX-LAZ West Hartford, LLC for revisions to the approved Special Development District plan (SDD #145) located at 27 Park Road & 14 Ringgold Street, also known as One Park. The request is for architectural, accessory structures, landscape, and signage modifications related to constructability, design enhancements, material supply side sourcing, and unforeseen, preexisting site and field conditions.

CONSENT

15. Petitions

16. Executive Session

17. Adjournment

A. Adjourn

**WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO ADJOURN (SWEENEY)
MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 0 NAY)
The Meeting adjourned at 9:13 PM.**

Essie S. Labrot

-Essie S. Labrot, Town Clerk/Council Clerk