



Tuesday, October 26, 2021
October 26, 2021 - West Hartford Regular Town Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

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 7:30 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Present: Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Fay, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

2. Proclamations

NONE

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Meeting Minutes 10-12-2021

CONSENT

B. Public Hearing Minutes 09-28-2021, Application filed on behalf of Floor & Décor

CONSENT

C. Public Hearing Minutes 09-28-2021, Ordinance Allowing Restaurant Drive-Through Facilities in Certain Commercial Districts

CONSENT

4. Public Forum

Diana MacPherson, 237 Fern Street, Robert Farr, 237 Fern Street, Betsy and Matthew Udall, 67 Riggs Avenue, Mike Belanger, 59 Briarwood Road, Gayle Harris, 88 Pilgrim Road, Sally Calcaterra, 10 Eustace Drive, Alberto Cortes, 7 Whitehill Drive, Judith Z. Siegel, 65 Flagg Road, Angelo DiMatteo, 136 Pioneer Drive, Marsha McCracken, 50 Fairlee Road, Lauren Crum, 97 Vera Street, Beth Kyle, 52 Arundel Avenue, Brad Collins, 27 Rillbank Terrace, P.J. Louis, 37 Briarwood Road, Elizabeth and Bob Santoro, 132 Garfield Road, Susan Repoli, 37 Arlington Road – wrote in favor of the "Petition Initiated by the Town Council of the Town of Rocky Hill Asking the General Assembly to Convene in Special Session to Address Property Crime."

Adrienne Maker, 5 Elmhurst Circle, Shawn Daly, 1779 Asylum Avenue, Dennis J. Swanton, 74 Keeney Avenue, Chris Toriho, 17 Wiltshire Lane, John Demitrus, 608 South Main Street, Boris Kantor, 81 Iroquois Road, John Souza, 8 Ironwood Lane, Sandra Berinstein, 9 Bainton Road – spoke in favor of the "Petition Initiated by the Town Council of the Town of Rocky Hill Asking the General Assembly to Convene in Special Session to Address Property Crime."

5. Consideration of Consent Calendar

WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO PLACE ITEMS 3A, 3B, 3C, 7B, 12A, 12B, 14A, 14B, 14C and 14D ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (DAVIDOFF)

SECOND (SWEENEY)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Fay, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

6. Unfinished Business

A. Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of an Easement and the Transfer of Land from the West Hartford Housing Authority to Support the Redevelopment Project on 540 New Park Avenue

MOTION TO ADOPT (DAVIDOFF)

SECOND (KERRIGAN)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Fay, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

7. New Business

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

WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOTION TO SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 16, 2021 AT 7:15 PM (DAVIDOFF)

SECOND (KERRIGAN)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Fay, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

B. Resolution Appropriating Funds to Purchase Computers, Furniture and Other Library Equipment

CONSENT

C. Petition Initiated by the Town Council of the Town of Rocky Hill Asking the General Assembly to Convene in Special Session to Address Property Crime

MOTION MADE TO REFER TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY (DAVIDOFF)

SECOND (KERRIGAN)

MOTION CARRIES (8 YEA, 1 NAY)

YEA: Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

NAY: Councilor Fay

8. Reports of Town Manager

Town Manager Matthew W. Hart reported to Council

9. Announcements

Upcoming Events were Reported by Mayor Cantor

10. Reports of Corporation Counsel

Corporation Counsel Dallas C. Dodge reported to Council

11. Appointments

NONE

12. Reports of Standing or Special Committees

A. Human and Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes 9-9-21

CONSENT

B. Finance and Administration Committee Meeting Minutes 9-30-21

CONSENT

13. Consent Calendar

MOTION TO ADOPT ITEMS ON CONSENT CALENDAR (DAVIDOFF)

SECOND (KERRIGAN)

MOTION CARRIES (9 YEA, 0 NAY)

YEA: (9) Councilor Blanks, Mayor Cantor, Deputy Mayor Davidoff, Councilor Fay, Councilor Gold, Councilor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd and Councilor Williams

14. Communications

A. Communication from the Mayor - Termination of the Local Declaration of Emergency Related to COVID-19

CONSENT

B. Communication from the Town Manager - Executive Order 2021-2, Repealing Universal Mask Mandate

CONSENT

C. Communication from the Town Planner - Regarding the recent approval for amendment to Special Development District plan (SDD #113) more commonly known as Blue Back Square located at 40-46 South Main Street. This item is a project update sent for informational purposes only.

CONSENT

D. Communication from James Capella resigning from the Clean Energy Commission effective 10/06/2021

CONSENT

15. Petitions

NONE

16. Executive Session

NONE

17. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Essie S. Labrot

-Essie S. Labrot, Town Clerk/Council Clerk