

Robert J. Beck

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
740 MAIN STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
JANUARY 17, 2017

2017 JAN 12 A 8:53

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

7:00 P.M. Executive Session

=====

Announcement of Exit Locations (C.G.S. § 29-381)

Pledge of Allegiance

7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA
3. RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS
4. OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. Other Elected Officials
 - B. Other Residents
 - C. Mayor
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. January 3, 2017 Public Hearing/Retiree Benefit Trust Fund
 - B. January 3, 2017 Regular Meeting
6. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS
 - A. Resignation of Ray Johnson as Town Historian
7. OLD BUSINESS
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Reappointment of Pasquale "Bud" Salemi to the Metropolitan District Commission
 - B. Hockanum Linear Trail Phase III Alternative Funding
 - C. America the Beautiful Grant
 - D. State Office of Policy and Management: Intertown Capital Equipment Grant (ICE)
9. OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION
10. COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS
 - A. Gary Willett v Town of East Hartford – Workers' Compensation Claim
11. OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK
 - A. Other Elected Officials
 - B. Other Residents
 - C. Mayor
12. ADJOURNMENT (next meeting: February 7th)

Robert J. Russo

2017 JAN -9 A 9:18

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

740 MAIN STREET

EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

JANUARY 3, 2017

PUBLIC HEARING/RETIREE BENEFIT TRUST FUND

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader
Linda A. Russo, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg,
Ram Aberasturia, Joseph Carlson, Patricia Harmon and Michael G. Kurker

Chair Kehoe called the public hearing to order at 7:20 p.m. The Chair announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381.

The following is a copy of a legal notice published in the Hartford Courant on Tuesday, December 20, 2016.

LEGAL NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut, will hold a public hearing Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut, regarding the proposed revisions to §10-52 of the East Hartford Code of Ordinances entitled "Retiree Benefit Trust Fund".

Any person(s) wishing to express an opinion on this matter may do so at this meeting. A draft of the revision is on file in the Town Council and Town Clerk offices.

Angela Attenello
Town Council Clerk

Chair Kehoe summarized the revision to Section 10-52 of the Code of Ordinances. Several years ago, the Council established an ordinance which would provide for the funding of future healthcare costs of retired town employees. One of the ways to fund this cost is to transfer out of the undesignated reserve fund balance that portion of the town's savings that is over eight percent of the total town budget. The town's auditors are now suggesting that the eight percent threshold be increased to ten percent.

The following person came forward:

Susan Kniep, 44-46 and 50 Olde Roberts Street, thanked the Chair for the explanation and clarification of this proposed revision.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
seconded by Bill Horan
to adjourn (7:25 p.m.).
Motion carried 9/0.

Attest *Angela M. Attenello*
Angela M. Attenello
Town Council Clerk

Robert J. Boeck

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

2017 JAN -9 A 9:18

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

JANUARY 3, 2017

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader
Linda A. Russo Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I.
Weinberg, Ram Aberasturia, Joseph R. Carlson, Patricia Harmon and
Michael G. Kurker

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Chair announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §29-381, after which the Council joined him in the pledge of allegiance.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

Susan Kniep, 50 Olde Roberts Street, (1) understands that the town is attempting to increase revenue through the approval of the Health Department fees; (2) thanked the Council for not approving a proposed contract between the East Hartford Library and the Hartford Public Library; (3) suggested that the Council hold a special meeting to discuss the state's proposed cuts to municipal aid which will affect East Hartford's budget; and (4) read a letter she wrote to Mayor Bronin, the Mayor of Hartford, regarding publication of the City of Hartford's personnel related expenses.

Mayor Leclerc (1) wished all a Happy New Year; (2) East Hartford's share of the recently announced 2016-2017 budget cuts will be capped at \$240,000 and will be borne by the Board of Education, but we will continue to work together on addressing budget issues; (3) supports the Health Department's fee increases; (4) LoCIP funding will not be in next year's budget, but the projects that are now active will be completed with current funding; (5) the Mayor will meet tomorrow with the town's state legislative delegation regarding the upcoming budget; (6) Police Chief Sansom has been selected to attend the FBI academy in Quantico for a 10-week special training session – Deputy Chief Hawkins will act as Police Chief in his absence; (7) Officer Ted Branon held his first block watch meeting in the Jerry Road area; (8) residents at 1252-1256 Main Street have been relocated due to extensive repairs needed on this building; (9) recognized the Rotary Club's recent donation of 4 active shooter kits for the School Resource Officers; (10) thanked those volunteers who come forward to serve on Boards and Commissions, especially those appointees on tonight's agenda; and (11) recognized the good works of the Protectors of Animals.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 13, 2016 Executive Session

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia

to **approve** the minutes of the December 13, 2016 Executive Session.
Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain:** Horan

December 13, 2016 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Pat Harmon
to **approve** the minutes of the December 13, 2016 Regular Meeting.
Motion carried 8/0. **Abstain:** Horan

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Protectors of Animals: Spay/Neuter Clinic

Jody Macrina, President of Protectors of Animals, and Pam Knoechlein, Clinic Director for Protectors of Animals, announced the grand opening of their spay/neuter clinic on Saturday January 7th at 11AM at 144 Main Street, near the intersection of Maple Street. This new clinic will be opened Tuesday through Thursday and perform approximately 35 surgeries a day.

17th Annual Connecticut Veterans Day Parade: Certificate of Appreciation

Chair Kehoe announced that the Council received a certificate of appreciation from the CT Veterans Day Parade organizers for the Council's participation in the 2016 Veterans' Day Parade.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation from Fees Committee re: Health Department – Food Service Fees

MOTION By Marc Weinberg
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
that the Town Council **approve** the increase requested by the Health Department for its Food Service fees as outlined and attached to a memo dated October 12, 2016 from Mayor Marcia Leclerc to Rich Kehoe, Town Council Chair and more specifically as follows:

- Food Service Operation Licensure Fees:
 1. Class II \$210
 2. Class III \$430
 3. Class IV \$575

- Plan Review for Class III and IV Facilities: \$180
- Late Fee for Food Service Renewal: \$55

- Temp. License A – submitted 2 weeks or more in advance: \$100
- Temp. License B – submitted less than 2 weeks prior to event: \$125
- Re-inspection Fee after 2 inspection failures: \$150
- Other Fees:
 1. Public Pool License \$125

All fee increases to be effective July 1, 2017.

Motion carried 9/0.

Recommendation from Ordinance Committee re: §10-52 Retiree Benefit Trust Fund

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia
 seconded by Esther Clarke
 to **amend** the East Hartford Code of Ordinances by revising Section 10-52 (b) to increase the appropriation of the undesignated reserve fund balance from eight percent to ten percent, consistent with the December 12, 2016 draft as approved by the Ordinance Committee.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Referral to Real Estate Acquisition & Disposition Committee re: 28, 30 & 32 Hillside Avenue

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Bill Horan
 to **refer** to the Real Estate Acquisition & Disposition Committee the issue of accepting the donation of 3 lots – 28, 30 & 32 Hillside Avenue, from the current owner, with instructions to investigate the matter and report back to the Town Council with its recommendation if any.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions:

Library Board

MOTION By Joe Carlson
 seconded by Linda Russo
 to **approve** the appointment of Gloria Visgilio-Lupi, 106 Sherwood Drive, to the Library Board; whose term shall expire December 2019.
 Motion carried 9/0.

Patriotic Commission

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Pat Harmon

to **approve** the following 1-year appointment to the Patriotic Commission:

- Bernard Corona, 27 Winding Lane, representative from the Disabled American Veterans; whose term shall expire December 2017

Motion carried 9/0.

MOTION

By Ram Aberasturia
seconded by Linda Russo

to **approve** the following 1-year appointment to the Patriotic Commission:

- Paul Barry, 23 Candlewood Drive, representative from the Vietnam Veterans of America; whose term shall expire December 2017

Motion carried 9/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

Bill Horan was told by a client that they used a bail bond company named "town of East Hartford bail bonds". *The Mayor asked that Councillor Horan forward any documentation he may have to her office for referral to Corporation Counsel as the town has no affiliation with this private company.*

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Rafael Zeligzon, 430 Burnside Avenue, is concerned about questionable activity at a local convenience store.

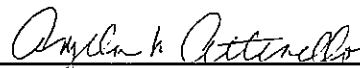
Chair Kehoe reminded all of the grand opening of the spay/neuter clinic run by the Protectors of Animals, 144 Main Street, this Saturday January 7th at 11AM.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
seconded by Bill Horan
to **adjourn** (8:24 p.m.).
Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be January 17th.

Attest



Angela M. Attenello
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

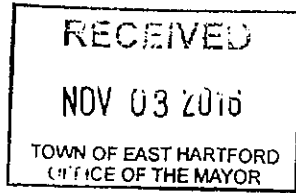
DATE: January 10, 2017
TO: Richard F. Kehoe, Chair
FROM: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc *MAL*
RE: RESIGNATION: Town Historian

Attached is a copy of the letter received from Ray Johnson, whose term as Town Historian has expired and is not seeking re-appointment.

Please place this resignation on the January 17, 2017 agenda and share our appreciation as a community for the valuable service Ray has provided by volunteering his time as the Town Historian. Please also make some time for a proclamation to be read in Ray's honor.

Thank you.

C: R. Pasek, Town Clerk



43 Farnham Drive
East Hartford, CT 06118
November 1, 2016

Mayor Marcia Leclerc
Town of East Hartford
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Dear Mayor Leclerc:

I hope this letter finds you well. Paul O'Sullivan notified me that my term as Municipal Historian expires in December.

The past three years have been difficult for me health-wise. It began with a broken neck, two dangerous spinal surgeries, kidney failure and then the need to wear a body brace for eighteen months. Despite my illness I have had numerous phone calls, emails and personal visits from people either researching their historic properties or tracing their ancestry. One of the most challenging and interesting tasks was helping a woman determine where her great-grandmother lived. All she had was an address of Station 31, Burnside, Connecticut. This turned out to be a trolley stop in Burnside Center at Powell's Drug Store which also served as the local post office.

While I have regained a great deal of mobility I will never get all of it back. I have regretted being unable to attend Historic District Commission meetings which are always expertly run by David Holmes. Thus, I feel it would be fair to relinquish my position as Municipal Historian. I love East Hartford and its rich historical past that I will continue researching.

There are two things that I would appreciate you monitoring. Over twenty years ago I put the dated plaques on historical buildings throughout town through a grant that Mary Martin arranged for me. I've noticed several have weathered considerably and will sometime need to be replaced. The other matter is the house at 1820 Main Street that is currently for sale. It was built in 1750 by Levi Goodwin. He answered the Lexington Alarm and walked all the way to Boston to join the Revolutionary Army. He left behind his wife and five children to work the farm and operate a Public House and stagecoach stop they owned on present day Ellington Road. It is a valuable historic treasure to our town and I hope it won't be purchased and moved to another town.

Sincerely,

C. Paul O'Sullivan

David Holmes

[Faint, illegible text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]

November 20, 2016

Richard F. Kehoe, Chairman
East Hartford Town Council
Town Council Office
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Subject; Appointment to the Metropolitan District Commission of Greater Hartford

Dear Chairman Kehoe,

On December 31st of this year the term of office of my Town Council Appointment to the MDC will expire. I am writing to the Town Council, through you, to ask for the Council's consideration in re-appointing me to serve another term beginning on January 1st of 2017.

Throughout my service as a Commissioner I have remained committed, as all Commissioners, to ensuring through our oversight of a Municipal Corporation and Public Utility, that the residents of the District receive the highest quality public water supply and wastewater collection and treatment services possible and in the most cost effective manner.

The MDC is perhaps, the most heavily regulated Public Utility in the State. While Federal and State Regulations require compliance by the District in support of Public Health and Safety issues they often impose significant financial burdens on both ratepayers and taxpayers within the District Towns.

The most significant and most obvious of these burdens is the "Clean Water Project". While the price-tag for that Project continues to stand at 2.4 billion dollars, MDC staff continues to look for opportunities to reduce that overall cost and for far less expensive ways to provide for the same level of health and safety that other municipalities outside the District must comply with. During the next year those opportunities will be fully developed and presented. It is my hope to continue as a Commissioner and bring that information to you and East Hartford's Legislative Delegation in an effort to reduce the Clean Water Project Charge in the future.

Another significant concern is the cost of effectively maintaining and improving the Public Water supply system of the MDC on behalf of its Member and Non-member Towns. 1988 remains the banner year for water production and delivery at an average of 66 million gallons a day according to our Engineering Department records. Revenues at that level of production, provided for high quality system maintenance, major maintenance and emergency response and long term capital improvements with an effective cost well below that of private and most Public water suppliers in the State. The MDC moved to replace its aging water meters which required entry into most private homes and businesses by a large staff of meter readers. With the installation of AMRs and later RF (Radio Frequency) devices which eliminated the requirement for entry and the staff of meter readers previously provided, operating costs associated with the production of water bills were reduced significantly. The Capital Investment continues to pay dividends in the near elimination of estimated bills and the cost associated with processing and collecting them.

We are currently estimating that over this winter, demand will drop to as little as 42 million gallons a day. That rate is over 30 million gallons a day below our most conservative safe yield and more than 20 million less than 1988. Much of the difference between then and now is the loss of commercial and industrial water consumption. The MDC's water supply, delivery and treatment systems were and are planned to deliver high quality drinking water to a populous and economically vibrant Capitol Region. With the completion of the Clean Water Project, Greater Hartford will be poised to offer a home for commerce and industry with a utility infrastructure second to none in New England. With the fixed cost of a system planned for more people and businesses, water rates will continue to rise if consumption continues to fall.

Continued and even further demands to "dump" Class A water from our Goodwin reservoir to support recreation, aquatic life and the dilution of sewage treatment plants discharge in the Farmington Valley, puts demands on the MDC to support activities in Towns that do not support the MDC, its Clean Water Project or any other Clean Water Projects for that matter. The water is virtually drinkable as it leaves the Goodwin Dam thanks to careful watershed management. Once it enters the West Branch of the Farmington River its quality drops to a point where it can never be used or treated as drinking water again in Connecticut. The MDC should be allowed to complete the tunnel connecting Goodwin Dam to the Barkhamsted reservoir to add the MDC's share of the impounded water at Goodwin and Colebrook to its drinking water supply in the future.

Currently, the fiscal issues of the City of Hartford and the publicity generated by statements as to its severity, will affect the MDC's bond ratings at a time when borrowing to support the authorized expenditures of the Clean Water Project and other Capital Projects is at its highest and puts the District and Member Towns' (including Hartford) taxpayers at risk to pay additional costs of borrowing to support a Federally mandated project. There is a Reserve and Credit Fund Proposal which Commissioners have been assured satisfies the Rating Agencies with respect to the MDC's ability to pay back short term bonds (Tax Anticipation Notes, TANs). This measure is designed to be used only if the City of Hartford fails to respond to Tax Warrants presented for payment during the 2017 Fiscal Year.

East Hartford's Finance Director has been apprised of how the Reserve and Credit Fund will work and has prepared a plan that allows East Hartford to respond in the best way possible and avoid, if possible, an increase in taxes due to the use of the Credit fund. That being said, I believe the City of Hartford cannot avoid paying in response to the Tax Warrants of the MDC short of Bankruptcy and even in that case the MDC remains in possession of the Tax Liens on Hartford's assets. The City of Hartford's taxpayers have and will continue to pay their taxes and once paid, I believe a portion of those taxes are the MDC's.

I believe the City of Hartford will ultimately pay its share of the ad valorem taxes or in the worst case, payback the Credit extended by the Member Towns. The City of Hartford's partnership in the MDC would be irreparably damaged if it didn't. Hartford's Taxpayers along with all the District's Taxpayers have lived up to their responsibilities by paying their taxes and should not accept failure to do so on the part of their Municipal Governments.

Finally, please allow me to say that the MDC delegation will miss the participation of Joe Kronen. The recent loss of Joe leaves a significant void for our delegation as his participation, particularly on behalf of East Hartford, has been critical in moving our agenda forward.

And serving with one of your own colleagues, Bill Horan and the Governor's appointee, Don Currey, has made the East Hartford Delegation, I believe, the most knowledgeable regarding Municipal Government and the most experienced in working together with local government. I hope to continue working with both Bill and Don and your new appointee.

The East Hartford Council and its MDC Delegation have faced major challenges before and been successful in protecting the Public interest inherent in the management of a major Public Utility and Municipal Government.

It is with a determination to be even more successful in the future than in the past, I ask for your consideration in re-appointing me as an East Hartford Town Council appointee to the Metropolitan District Commission of Greater Hartford.

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!

Pasquale J. Salemi
17 Pheasant Lane
East Hartford, CT

Cc; All Members of the East Hartford Town Council, Mayor, Marcia Leclerc, Democratic Town Chair, Craig Stevenson, Chairman William A. DiBella, MDC Commissioner.



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DATE: January 10, 2017
TO: Richard F. Kehoe, Chair
FROM: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc *ML*
RE: RESOLUTION: Hockanum Linear Trail Phase III Alternative Funding

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) has notified the town that the current Hockanum Linear Trail Phase III project has been identified as a trail project that the CT DOT can now fund through an alternative fund, the Transportation Alternatives (TA) fund. The Hockanum Linear Trail Phase III project is currently funded by a combination of two grants through CT DEEP and CT DOT. In order to allow the CT DOT to utilize these TA funds for this project the town is required to submit the attached application.

Please find attached the corresponding draft resolution, and additional details as provided by the director of Public Works. Please place this information on the agenda for the January 17, 2017 meeting. I recommend that the Town Council approve this request as submitted and adopt the attached resolution authorizing my signature on documents associated with the application.

Thank you.

C: T. Bockus, Director of Public Works

I, Angela M. Attenello, duly appointed Clerk of the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the East Hartford Town Council of said corporation, duly held on the ___ day of _____, 201_.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Hockanum River Linear Trail Phase III Project ("the Project") is currently programmed through Section 125 Project Specific funding administered by the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT); and said CT DOT also administers a Transportation Alternatives Set Aside program ("TA");

WHEREAS the CT DOT is requesting the Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) include in its TA selection process the approval of four projects that are currently programmed with other funds one of which is the Hockanum River Linear Trail Phase III; and has confirmed that TA funding would only be applied to the Project in the event that TA funding is facing lapsing if not utilized and/or no other regionally initiated projects are available for funding obligation;

WHEREAS Federal direction requires that projects can only utilize TA program funding if approved as part of a regional competitive solicitation and the CT DOT has prepared a funding application for that purpose;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; that Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to make application to, and execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all documents, contracts, and amendments as may be required by the CT DOT or CRCOG as they pertain to this Transportation Alternative (TA) Set Aside program.

AND I DO FURTHER CETIFY that he above resolution has not been in anyway altered, amended, or repealed, and is now in full force and effect.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Town of East Hartford this ___ day of ___ 201_.

Angela M. Attenello

Town Council Clerk

ENGINEERING DIVISION

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc
FROM: Timothy A. Bockus, Director of Public Works 
DATE: January 9, 2017
RE: Hockanum River Linear Trail Phase III
COPY TO: File

The Town is currently in the design phase of the Hockanum River Linear Trail Phase III. This phase of the trail project is currently funded with a combination of two grants. The first grant consists of state funds administered by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CT DEEP). The second grant consists of federal transportation funds from the Section 125 Surface Transportation Priorities administered by the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT).

The CT DOT indicated they would like the ability to fund certain trail projects from an alternative fund, the Transportation Alternatives (TA) fund. They have identified four contingency projects throughout the state for which they would like to potentially utilize TA funds in place of the project's original transportation funding source. East Hartford's Hockanum River Linear Trail phase III is identified as one of the contingency projects. In a recent communication with representative of the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) the CT DOT confirmed TA funding would only be applied to a contingency project in the event that TA funding is facing lapsing if not utilized and/or no other regionally initiated projects are available for funding obligation.

In order to provide CT DOT the latitude it desires to potentially utilize TA funds for this project, it requires an application signed by the Town's duly authorized representative and submitted to CRCOG to be included in CRCOG's selection process. The attached application was completed by CT DOT's team for the Mayor's signature.

Please place this item on the next Town Council Agenda.

**CT Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (PROGRAM) 2016 – 2021
Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside**

PROGRAM APPLICATION

1.0 Project Title

Provide the title of the Project: **Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III**

2.0 Council of Government (COG)

The application should be submitted to the COG office having boundaries encompassing the majority of the project's limits. Maps depicting the COG and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) boundaries as well as the Transportation Management Areas(TMA) are provided under separate cover as an appendix to the application. For projects that span multiple COG boundaries, please list in order beginning with the COG with the greatest geographic coverage or the COG with which project coordination has been initiated.

Council of Government(s): **Capitol Region Council of Governments**

3.0 Project Sponsor and Commitment Statement

The Project Sponsor is the applicant and will be the entity that enters into agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation for program administration and funding. **The Project Sponsor MUST be a municipal governmental agency established through State Statutes.** Please indicate the formal legal names of the organization and duly authorized representative.

~~IF PROGRAM FUNDS ARE AUTHORIZED: The Project Sponsor will be responsible for commitment of funds to match federal program dollars and finance any ineligible project costs. The Project Sponsor will also be responsible for commitment to operate, maintain and insure the completed improvement facility and components remains with t~~ **Project is already funded** ~~f liability and maintenance to ensure a safe, secure n State or federal rights-of-way. Formal letters of commitment or resolutions from the appropriate fiscal entity, (i.e. Town Council, Board of Finance), will be required. Additionally, the Project Sponsor will be responsible for meeting public involvement requirements.~~

Legal Name of Organization: **Town of East Hartford**

Legal Name of Duly Authorized Representative:

Signature of Duly Authorized Representative

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

By signing my name on the signature line above, I am certifying that I am the duly authorized representative of the sponsoring agency and that I am aware of the application and proposed project on behalf of the organization as well as my responsibility as the Project Sponsor if PROGRAM funds are authorized. My signature further indicates that, to the best of my knowledge, the statements made on this application form and any attachments are true and complete and are made in good faith. I understand that if I knowingly make any misstatement of fact, this application is subject to disqualification and dismissal. All statements made on this application are subject to verification as a condition of funding authorization.

4.0 Project Contact (Representative from Project Sponsor) and Commitment Statement

The Project Contact must be a representative of the Project Sponsor's agency. The Project Contact will act as the project manager. The Project Contact will be the primary person to which correspondence, inquiries and project coordination will be directed regarding the application and subsequent project if funds are awarded.

First Name: **Denise** CT Municipality: **East Hartford**
Last Name: **Horan** Division/Office: **Engineering Division**
Title: **Town Engineer** Street: **740 Main Street**
Telephone No: **(860) 291-7380** Zip Code: **06108**
Facsimile No: **(860) 289-0831**
Email Address: **dhoran@easthartfordct.gov**

5.0 Eligible Projects

- 5.1 Construction, planning and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation.
- 5.2 Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities to access daily needs.
- 5.3 Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other nonmotorized transportation users.
- 5.4 Construction of turnouts, overlooks and viewing areas.
- 5.5 Community improvements activities including:
 - Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising;
 - Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities;
- 5.6 Planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways.

Using the numbers above identify which one best fits the project: **5.1**

6.0 Project Location

Briefly describe the project location:

Indicate the start (and end, if linear) of the project limits:

The project begins at a terminus of the existing Hockanum River Linear Park Trail at the northeast corner of Hillside cemetery on Hillside Street. The trail proceeds east along the Hockanum River and then south ending at a point where it connects to Olde Roberts Street near its intersection with Roberts Street.

Identify the municipality (ies) having boundaries encompassing the project location.

Primary CT Municipality: **Town of East Hartford**

Other Municipality (ies):

LOCATION MAP: Depict the location of the project on a base map such as a town road map, GIS map, aerial photo, or another base map suitable to clearly depict the project's overall location upon. Provide a hard copy.

CONCEPT PLAN As appropriate and necessary for the scale and context of the project proposed, provide a map with a conceptual layout to graphically depict the location of the project and its relation to existing features, regulated areas, and adjacent facilities the project would connect to. Provide a hard copy.

7.0 Project Description

Briefly describe the project:

The proposed trail generally follows the alignment of an existing footpath and will involve the construction of a 3,700 foot long trail with a stone dust surface, four bridges to cross watercourses, a seating/viewing area, a paved section of walkway for ADA accessibility, and related work for a complete project.


8.0 Purpose and Need

Briefly explain the purpose and need for the project, including anticipated significance and impacts of this project. Provide any additional information that may assist with determining the eligibility and selection of this project. This is an opportunity to discuss why the project should be selected for PROGRAM funding.

The purpose of the project is to extend an existing trail network which provides public access and an opportunity to recreate on Town property along the Hockanum River. The Hockanum River Linear Park Trail has been built in segments based upon available funding. The completion of this project will fill a portion of a gap between existing trail segments and will provide for better overall connectivity of the trail.

9.0 Community Character and Regional Significance

Briefly describe how this candidate project directly relates to the region and community, including anticipated benefits and fit with the character of the area served.

The Hockanum River Linear Park Trail is part of a larger trail network that begins at the Hockanum River's confluence with the Connecticut River in East Hartford and extends east to Vernon. The project will provide area residents additional opportunities for outdoor recreation within Town open space . The project fits within the character of the area served as it is an extension of an existing trail network providing access to the natural areas surrounding the Hockanum River. 

10.0 Public Support

Demonstrate the level of public support or opposition that has been voiced to date, if any, either via a public forum, written correspondence or other form of communication, including media coverage. Provide a description of the events, published articles, media coverage, or other related materials that are relevant to demonstrate public support for the project.

A public meeting was held on October 30, 2013 and the record of the meeting is included with this application.

11.0 Permitting

Provide a list of anticipated permits that are required for the project. It is not required that permitting be completed for the application.

Local wetlands and Planning and Zoning permits as well as a flood management certificate are anticipated to be required for the project.

~~12.0 Project Cost Estimate~~

~~Provide the estimated cost of the project, include a detailed cost estimate and the basis for the cost estimate. Of this total cost, a maximum of eighty percent (80%) can be provided through the PROGRAM and a minimum of twenty percent (20%) must be secured by other means. Consideration under this program shall have a minimum estimated project cost of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).~~

Project is already funded

13.0 ~~Local Match Financing~~

~~The minimum twenty percent (20%) match typically must come from non-federal sources as there are restrictions on the application of federal monies to the match share of PROGRAM funds. Indicate whether the non-federal match can reasonably be secured by the project sponsor for the project if PROGRAM funds are authorized.~~

~~Are you providing the match with non-federal sources? Yes No~~

~~Can the local match be reasonably secured? Yes No~~

Project Currently Funded
with No Local Match

14.0 Attachments and Additional Information/Materials – Please limit comments and attached pages to those critical for Review of the Application and proper understanding of the Project Proposal.

This section is optional and may be used to provide any additional information pertinent to the presentation of the candidate project for consideration of funding under the PROGRAM.

Please see attached project location map.

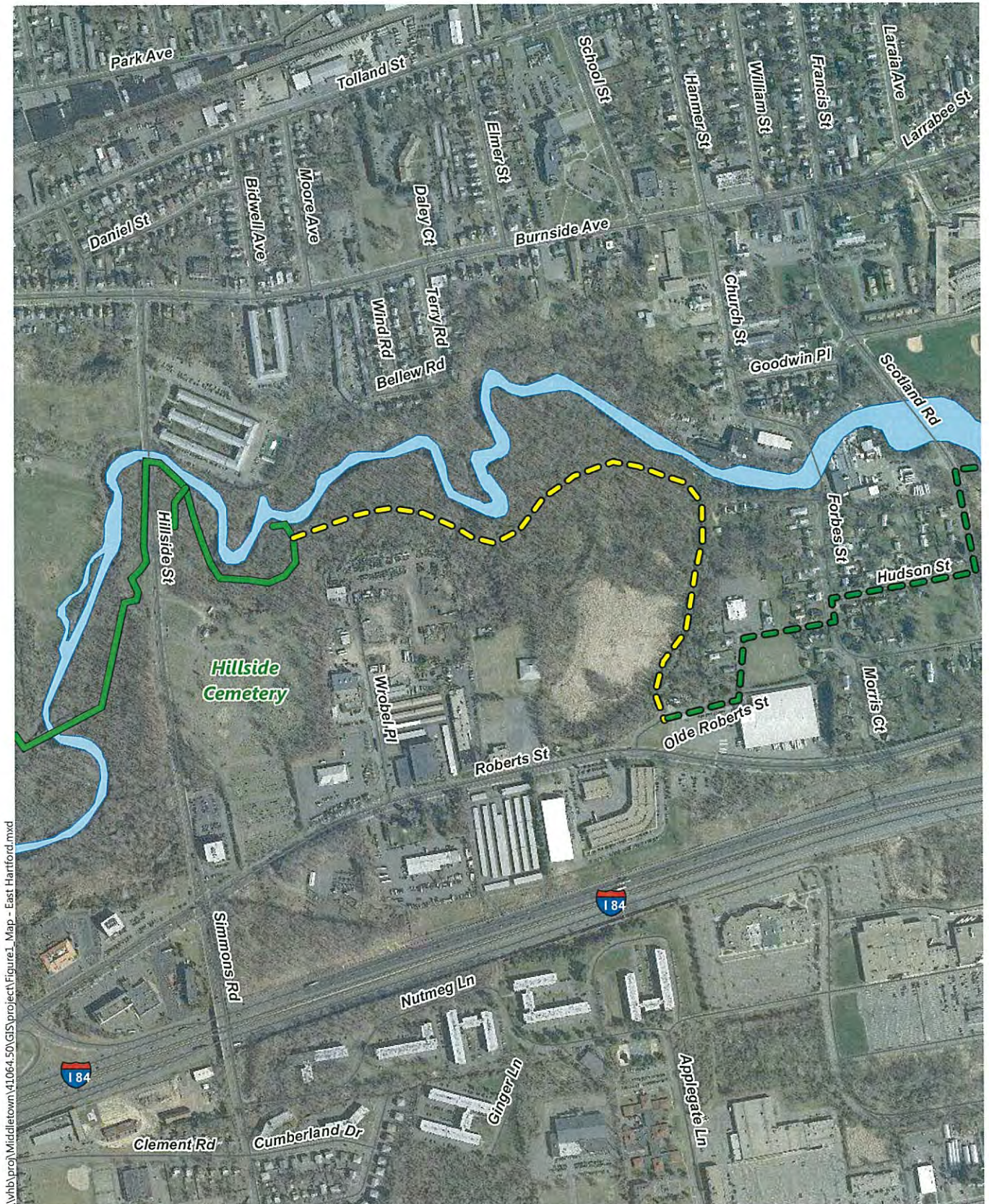
Please indicate any additional materials being submitted with the application package or provided to the COG for consideration. If additional pages were used to answer questions on this application, please indicate the section and number of pages. Applicants are encouraged, however, to limit responses to the space provided in the PROGRAM Application.

The information below will be utilized during the review by staff at the COG and at the Department to ensure that each reviewer has a full application package. A listing with a brief description of each item should be provided noting the number of pages for each attachment and the pertinent application section, as applicable.

Number of Pages: Application Section: Brief Description:

SPECIAL NOTE:

- 1) Two hard copies of a manually signed application must be submitted for purposes of file record.
- 2) A digital pdf file of the completed form application must also be submitted electronically.



\\vhb\proj\ Middletown\11064.50\GIS\project\Figure1_Map - East Hartford.mxd



Phase III Hockanum River Linear Trail | Project 42-319

- Legend**
-  Phase III
 -  Open Water
 -  Existing Trail & Boardwalk
 -  Trail on Roadway

Town of East Hartford
State Project # 42-TBD
Hockanum River Linear park Trail - Phase III

**Report of Public Involvement Efforts
to initiate funding under the
Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 Division I, Title I,
Section 125 Surface Transportation Priorities Funds**

A public informational meeting was held on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Welling Conference Room, 2nd Floor of Town Hall, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut. Records from the Town's efforts to involve the public are attached to this summary report, along with comments received from the public.

Prior to the public information meeting, the Town placed display advertisements in the Hartford Courant on October 19 and October 28. In addition, a press release was issued and notice posted on local cable tv (channel 5). Adjacent property owners and listed officials were notified by mail. Signs were posted at the ends of the phase III trail section. The Hartford Courant ran an article on the meeting on October 25; the Journal Inquirer ran a story on October 29.

Nine (9) members of the public (including Mayor Marcia Leclerc, who spoke as a resident) attended the public informational meeting. Representatives of the Town Engineering Division, DOT Local Roads, CRCOG, and Congressman Larson's Office were also in attendance. Written comments were received before and after the public information meeting. The deadline for public comments closed on November 13.

On Tuesday, December 10, 2013, the Town Council voted in support of the project. A copy of the Town Council Resolution is included with this summary report.

PUBLISHING COMPANY

Richard J. Graziano
 Publisher and Chief Executive Officer

NEWS EXECUTIVES

Andrew S. Jullou
 Platform Manager / Editor

rolyn Lumsden
 Opinion Editor

NEWS EXECUTIVES

Julius C. Neto
 Packaging and Transportation Director

Andrea J. Pape
 Production Director

Millary L. Pate
 Director of Human Resources
 Integrated Media

Robert R. Rounce
 Controller

Mary Lou Stoneburner
 Senior Advertising Director

265 Broad St., Hartford, CT 06183

860-242-6200 (Local calling area)
 800-624-4242 (Outside the Hartford area)

Our Circulation Customer Care Center is open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 6 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

NEWSPAPER DELIVERY

860-525-5555 (Local calling area)
 800-472-3777 (1-800-4PAPERS - outside the Hartford area)

Subscriptions, missed delivery or missing sections, vacation stops, billing questions. For same-day redelivery please call before 10 a.m. daily, 11:30 a.m. Sunday. All numbers are 860 area code unless otherwise noted.

ADVERTISING	241-6221
Classified	525-2525
classfree@courant.com	800-842-8824
Death notices/Obituaries	241-6392
NEWS	241-6747
SPORTS	241-6435
EDITORIAL PAGE/LETTERS	241-6434
NEWS ACCURACY AND FAIRNESS CONCERN	
E-mail	readersop@courant.com
Phone	241-3902

The Hartford Courant proudly participates in a comprehensive

1041-4000. Renewals and postage paid at Hartford, CT. Postmaster send address changes to The Hartford Courant, 265 Broad St., Hartford, CT 06183. Home delivery rates: Daily and Sunday (7 days): \$7.99; *Thursday through Sunday (4 days): \$4.25; *Thursday, Friday and Sunday (3 days): \$4.25. *Sunday-only service \$2.99, includes the Thanksgiving and Christmas Day papers. *Service not available in all areas. Rates may vary based on subscription length. Vacation holds do not extend expiration dates. We may increase home delivery rates with 15 days notice. The Hartford Courant reserves the right to revise or reject any advertisement. Only publication of the advertisement shall constitute acceptance of the advertisement. The Hartford Courant shall not be responsible for the omission, in whole or in part, of any advertisement or for any typographic or other error. The Hartford Courant's liability shall be limited to the amount paid by the advertiser for the first insertion only. In no event shall the

TONIGHT ON FOX CT: Safer Roads



A local community comes together in an effort to make their roads safer and inspire

people to drive distraction-free.

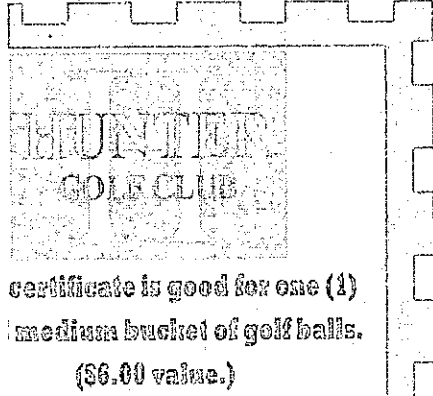
THE HARTFORD COURANT AND FOX CT ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO BRING YOU THE BEST NEWS COVERAGE.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013
Connecticut Play 4 Day: 734
Play 3 Night: 21
Play 4 Night: 11
Cash 5: 4, 9, 10, 2
Lotto: 6, 11, 17, 20
 No first-prize win
 Tuesday's estimate
 jackpot: \$1.2 million
 Tonight's estimate
 jackpot: \$186 million
MegaMillions:
 MegaBall: 1; Meg

ON THE
 Visit our online
 of previous win
courant.com

Free for ALL!

any day of the week the Courant
 something Free for ALL!
 s your daily FREE coupon
 being a Courant reader.
 s free coupon



certificate is good for one (1)
 medium bucket of golf balls.
 (\$6.00 value.)

Valid Saturday, October 19 thru
 Friday, October 25, 2013
 No purchase necessary.

100 Westfield Road
 Meriden, CT
 860-336-6366
meridengolfclub.com

For additional specials,
 please visit the
 Hunter Golf Club
 Facebook page for the
 remainder of the season

Valid for one coupon per party. Certificate has no cash value,
 cannot be combined with any other offers or discounts. E-editions and
 photocopies will not be accepted. Quasi ons Contact: 860-232-4949.

Redeemed by a *la Carte Acquisition, LC*, West Hartford, CT.
 interested in joining the Free for ALL! program
 Hartford Courant please call 860-232-4949.

Everyone is invited to a:
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
 State Project No. 42-TBD

**HOCKANUM RIVER
 LINEAR TRAIL - PHASE III**

FROM THE END OF THE CURRENT TRAIL
 EAST OF THE HILLSIDE STREET PARKING AREA
 TO OLDE ROBERTS STREET NEAR ROBERTS STREET
 EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

To be held 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30):
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013
 in the
WELLING CONFERENCE ROOM
2ND FLOOR, TOWN HALL,
740 MAIN STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108

Residents, business owners, trail users, and other
 interested individuals are encouraged to take
 advantage of this opportunity to learn of and
 discuss the proposed work.

Written questions or comments should be directed to:
Ms. M. Denise Horan, P.E.
 Town Engineer
 740 Main Street
 East Hartford, CT 06108
 or at e-mail address
dhoran@easthartfordct.gov

**PLEASE JOIN US ON
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013**

Location is ADA accessible. If language assistance is
 needed, please contact the East Hartford Department of
 Public Works, Engineering Division, at (860) 291-7380
 at least 5 business days prior to the meeting.

DONATE YOUR

Wheels For Wishes
 Benefiting
MAKE-A-WISH.
 Connecticut

- *Free Vehicle Pickup ANYWHERE
- *We Accept All Vehicles Running or Not
- *We Also Accept Boats, Motorcycles & RVs
- *Fully Tax Deductible

WheelsForWishes.org Call: (860)



Rachel Lutz

Wee

FO

Town of East Hartford Public Works Press Release

For Release 5 p.m. EDT
Monday, October 21, 2013

Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III

Project 42-TBD
Public Information Meeting

The Town of East Hartford is currently working to complete the third phase of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail. The overall trail extends from the south end of Great River Park, adjacent to the Charter Oak Bridge, to the Walnut Street bridge near Burnside Avenue. The portion of the trail currently under consideration will connect the existing trail terminus near Hillside Street (approximately 1,000 feet east of the trail parking area) with Olde Roberts Street near Roberts Street.



The project is currently being designed using remaining funds from a 1988 grant from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. If the project is supported by the community, the Town will be able to access funding for the construction of Phase III from Federal Section 125 funds.

Phase III of the trail includes the construction of a stone dust walking surface and four (4) bridges over watercourses along the 3,700± foot long trail. A seating/viewing area at the Hockanum River near Cottage Street is proposed. From the seating area to Olde Roberts Street, the trail follows the existing path on the berm next to the Willow Brook bypass channel. At Olde Roberts Street, the trail will terminate with a paved ramp for emergency access and a paved section of walkway that will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Town will hold an informational meeting on the project which will be held on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30). The meeting will be held in the Welling Conference Room, 2nd Floor of Town Hall, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut.

Deaf and hearing impaired persons wishing to attend this meeting and requiring an interpreter may make arrangements by contacting M. Denise Horan, P.E., Town Engineer, at the East Hartford Engineering Division at (860) 291-7380 at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

Based on a current estimate, the total project cost will be approximately \$720,800. It is anticipated that the Federal Section 125 funds will provide \$475,000 of the total project cost, with the balance paid by the DEEP grant.

Anyone interested in obtaining further information, or providing input, may do so by contacting me at the East Hartford Engineering Division at (860) 291-7380.

Distribution:

Mayor's Office	Channel 5
Director of Public Works	Hartford Courant
Chief -East Hartford Police	Journal Inquirer
Chief- East Hartford Fire	East Hartford Gazette
Town Council	The Reminder
Hockanum River Commission	

MARCIA A. LECLERC
MAYOR



Phone: 860 291-7380
Fax: 860 289-0831

ENGINEERING DIVISION

October 22, 2013

«Title»«FirstName» «MiddleName» «LastName» «Suffix»
«FirstName2» «LastName2»
«JobTitle»
«Company»
«Street»
«City», «State» «ZipCode»

RE: Phase III Hockanum River Linear Park Trail
East Hartford, Connecticut

The Town of East Hartford is currently working to complete the third phase of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail. The overall trail extends from the south end of Great River Park, adjacent to the Charter Oak Bridge, to the Walnut Street bridge near Burnside Avenue. The portion of the trail currently under consideration will connect the existing trail terminus near Hillside Street (approximately 1,000 feet east of the trail parking area) with Olde Roberts Street near Roberts Street.



The project is currently being designed using remaining funds from a 1988 grant from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. If the project is supported by the community, the Town will be able to access funding for the construction of Phase III from Federal Section 125 funds.

Phase III of the trail includes the construction of a stone dust walking surface and four (4) bridges over watercourses along the 3,700± foot long trail. A seating/viewing area at the Hockanum River near Cottage Street is proposed. From the seating area to Olde Roberts Street, the trail follows the existing path on the berm next to the Willow Brook bypass channel. At Olde Roberts Street, the trail will terminate with a paved ramp for emergency access and a paved section of walkway that will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. It is Town and State policy to keep the public informed and involved when this type of project is undertaken.

Phase III Hockanum River Linear Park Trail

October 22, 2013

Page 2

The Town will hold an informational meeting on the project which will be held on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30). The meeting will be held in the Welling Conference Room, 2nd Floor of Town Hall, 740 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut.

Deaf and hearing impaired persons wishing to attend this meeting and requiring an interpreter may make arrangements by contacting M. Denise Horan, P.E., Town Engineer, at the East Hartford Engineering Division at (860) 291-7380 at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

Based on a current estimate, the total project cost will be approximately \$720,800. It is anticipated that the Federal Section 125 funds will provide \$475,000 of the total project cost, with the balance paid by the DEEP grant.

Anyone interested in obtaining further information, or providing input, may do so by contacting me at the East Hartford Engineering Division at (860) 291-7380.

Yours truly,



M. Denise Horan, P.E.
Town Engineer

C: Hugh H. Hayward, P.E., Principal Engineer - Highway Design, ConnDOT
Robert W. Ike, Supervisor - Office of Rights of Way, ConnDOT

J:\Hockanum River Linear Trail\Public Information\42-TBD 2013-10 Preliminary Notification Letter.doc

MARCIA A. LECLERC
MAYOR



Phone: 860 291-7380
Fax: 860 289-0831

ENGINEERING DIVISION

East Hartford, Connecticut 06108

October 22, 2013

Distribution List for Notification Letter
42-TBD Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III

Map ID: 1
Property: 88 Olde Roberts Street
Thomas E. Allard
Loretta Allard
88 Olde Roberts Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 2 & 3
Property: 50 Olde Roberts Street
44-46 Olde Roberts Street
Susan Gail Kniep
50 Olde Roberts Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 4
Property: 40 Olde Roberts Street
David L. Weaver
40 Olde Roberts Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 5
Property: 32-38 Olde Roberts Street
Serenity Investments, Inc.
P.O. Box 359
East Glastonbury, CT 06025

Map ID: 6
Property: 30 Olde Roberts Street
Difano, LLC
30 Olde Roberts Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 7
Property: 8 Cottage Street
Michael Strogoff
8 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 8
Property: 89 Church Street
JNR Realty, LLC
89 Church Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 9
Property: 87 Church Street
87 Church, LLC
6 Lillingnah Drive
Brookfield, CT 06804

Map ID: 10
Property: 6 Cottage Street
Christopher Burk
6 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 11
Property: 4 Cottage Street
Harry Gruss Sr.
Jacinta Gruss
4 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 12
Property: 2 Cottage Street
New England Land Trust
383 Forbes Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 13
Property: 7 Cottage Street
Cottage St WTR & RD Association
c/o Harry Gruss
4 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 14
Property: 3-35 Church Street
The St Rose Church Corporation of
Burnside
33 Church Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 15 & 16
Property: 599R Burnside Avenue
595 Burnside Avenue
Jon Holdstrom
111 Prospect Street
Bristol, NH 03222

Map ID: 17
Property: 46 Terry Road
48 Terry Road
5 Bellew Road Rear

Nicholas Kamm
46 Terry Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 18
Property: 7 Bellew Road
Earl Davis Sr.
7 Bellew Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 19
Property: 11 Bellew Road
Sandra N. McClendon
11 Bellew Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 20
Property: 15 Bellew Road
Sonia Williams Denham
15 Bellew Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 21
Property: 19 Bellew Road
Dennis W. Haskew
19 Bellew Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 22
Property: 27 Bellew Road
Jose L. Diaz Morales
27 Bellew Road
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 23
Property: 29 Bellew Road
P&S Affordable Contemporary Builders,
Inc.
263 Duncaster Road
Bloomfield, CT 06002

Map ID: 24
Property: 30 Hillside Street
(79 units & 23 garages)
40 Hillside Street
(61 units & 8 garages)
50 Hillside Street
(75 units & 9 garages)
Total 215 Units
East Hartford Hillside Associates, LLC
34 Connecticut Boulevard
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 25
Property: 144 Roberts Street
Double E Properties of East Hartford, LLC
c/o Carmine Esposito
685 Mattson Hill Road
South Glastonbury, CT 06073

Distribution List for Notification Letter

October 22, 2013

Page 2

Map ID: 26
Property: 148 Roberts Street
Greater Hartford Transit District
One Union Place
Hartford, CT 06103

Map ID: 27
Property: 54 Wrobel Place
54 Wrobel Place, LLC
54 Wrobel Place
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 28
Property: 212 Roberts Street Rear
35 Wrobel Place
Wrobel Place Associates
c/o Lynne Kleeberg
35 Wrobel Place
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 29
Property: 222 Roberts Street
Kenlin, LLC
222 Roberts Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 30
Property: 290 Roberts Street
Roberts St Associates, LLC
National Enterprises, Inc.
5440 Morehouse Drive, Suite 4000
San Diego, CA 92121

Map ID: 31
Property: 65 Olde Roberts Street
65 Roberts St, LTP
c/o Allan S. Goodman, Inc.
180 Goodwin Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Map ID: 32
Property: 111-121 Roberts Street
111 Roberts St, LLC
c/o Reliant Property Management
111 Roberts Street, Suite G-1
East Hartford, CT 06108

Capitol Region Council of Governments
241 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Ms. Karen Senich
Division Director
Connecticut Commission on Culture and
Tourism
One Constitution Plaza, 2nd Floor
Hartford, CT 06103

Connecticut Council on Environmental
Quality
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Connecticut Department of Economic and
Community Development
505 Hudson Street
Hartford, CT 06106

CT Construction Industries Association
912 Silas Deane Highway #112
Wethersfield, CT 06109

Ms. Julie B. Fagan
Field Office Director
Department of Housing & Urban
Development
1 Corporate Center, 19th Floor
Hartford, CT 06103

Ms. Amy D. Jackson-Grove
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
628-2 Hebron Avenue, Suite 303
Glastonbury, CT 06033

Mr. Jay T. Mar
State Conservationalist
Natural Resources Conservation Service
344 Merrow Road, Suite A
Tolland, CT 06084-3917

U.S. Dept. of Interior, Office of the
Secretary
U.S. Department of Interior
Office of Environmental Policy &
Compliance
408 Atlantic Avenue - Room 142
Boston, MA 02210-3334

State of Connecticut
Office of Communications
P.O. Box 317546
2800 Berlin Turnpike
Newington, CT 06111

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
696 Virginia Road
Concord, MA 01742-2751

Representative John Larson
Congressman
U.S. House of Representatives
221 Main Street, 2nd Floor
Hartford, CT 06106

Senator Christopher Murphy
U.S. Senator
1 Commercial Plaza, 7th Floor
Hartford, CT 06103

Senator Richard Blumenthal
U.S. Senator
30 Lewis Street
Suite 19
Hartford, CT 06103

Senator Gary LeBeau
State Senator, Deputy President Pro
Tempore
State Capitol
Room 110
Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Representative Henry Genga
State Representative
Legislative Office Building
Room 4030
Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Chairman Christine Durrer
Hockanum River Commission
15 Rose Street

J:\Hockanum River Linear Trail\Public Information\42-
TBD 2013-09 List of Addresses.doc

Lt. Gov. Nancy Wyman said, "Gail was always extraordinarily thoughtful and knowledgeable and ready to fight hard for the issues she believed in. Even during her illness, her energy and commitment to her constituents never faltered, and I will always admire her for that."

House Speaker Brendan Sharkey

B2 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2013

MIDDLETOWN Mayor Pamela Drew called Hamm "a devoted and caring public servant" who was always friendly and went out of her way to help others.

"Her commitment to her constituents and the communities she served was always evident," Drew said in a statement. "We will miss her."

First elected in 1998, Hamm, a

PAUG IN PLAINFIELD, N.J.

Establishing the Gov. William A. O'Neill highway.

"I've carefully thought about reelection for many months," Hamm wrote. "I'm very proud of the 14 years of service I've given to my district and especially enjoyed representing the families of the 34th House District."

THE HARTFORD COURANT

CONNECTICUT

EAST HARTFORD

Town Plans Meeting On Trail Plans

By **SUZANNE CARLSON**
scarlson@courant.com

EAST HARTFORD — An informational meeting is scheduled for Oct. 30 on the third phase of the Hockanum River Linear Park trail.

The existing trail extends from the south end of Great River Park, adjacent to the Charter Oak Bridge, to the Walnut Street bridge near Burnside Avenue, according to Town Engineer M. Denise Horan.

The third phase, now under consideration, would connect the trail end near Hillside Street, about 1,000 feet east of the trail parking area, with Old Roberts Street, near Roberts Street.

Horan said the project is being designed using money remaining from a 1988 grant from the state Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, and if it receives adequate community support, the town will be able to access federal funding for its construction.

The third phase would include construction of a stone-dust surface and four bridges over waterways along the 3,700-foot-long trail. There is also a proposal for a seating area with a view over the Hockanum River near Cottage Street, Horan said.

From the seating area to Old Roberts Street, the trail would follow an existing path next to the Willow Brook bypass channel and terminate at Old Roberts

Street with a paved ramp for emergency access, as well as a paved ramp that complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The total project cost is estimated to be about \$720,800. Horan said it is anticipated that federal funding would cover \$475,000 of the total cost, with the balance paid by the remaining DEEP grant.

The informational meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, in the Welling Conference Room on the second floor of town hall, 740 Main St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more information or to leave suggestions, call Horan at the East Hartford Engineering Division at 860-291-7380.

ALL THE SOLUTIONS WE LOOK FOR WANT TO COME, but it's unfair to the thousands of taxpayers who pay them on time," said Finance Director William J. Hogan.

Hogan said the first sale of tax delinquent properties in 2011 netted the town nearly \$900,000 and that he expects the sales to be held every year or two to increase the tax collection rate.

Hogan said the town's tax collection rate in 2010 was 97.7 percent, and that there was \$2.3 million in 2011. In 2013, the tax collection rate rose 1.1 percent and the town has about \$1.4 million in delinquencies.

Town officials are hopeful that most of the property owners pay their bills before the sale on Nov. 6. If not, owners have up to six months, by state law, to buy back their property from whomever buys it at auction. They will be required to pay the new owners 1.5 percent interest per month.

Properties currently listed on the town's website include: 7 Diana Lane, 11 Cindy Lane, 14 Lyman Lane, 16 Charter Ave., 16 Griffin Road South, 25 Marguerite Ave., 35 Jolley Lane, 42 Harding Ave., 83 Wade Ave., 231 Tunxis Ave., 747 Blue Hills Ave. and Lot 1173 on Simsbury Road.

For information about the sale, go to bloomfieldct.org.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

► Yoga for kids at the Institute For American Indian Studies is from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday. The time was incorrect on Page 5 of Cal Thursday.

TODAY'S DEALS



gyny, illicit sex and drug abuse, by in the song "Heroin," in which clares, "It's my wife, and it's my

alk on the Wild Side," a catchy off his second solo album, "Trans-er," co-produced by fellow avant-rocker David Bowie, became s only top-20 hit single, although tained lyrical references to trans-ility, drugs and male prostitution. ster Ray" — a 17-minute blast of r distortions — likewise combined is of sailors, oral sex, murder, venous drug use and the mysteri- tle character.

never in a million years thought le would be outraged by what I loing," Reed told Rolling Stone in "You could go to your neigh- od bookstore and get any of that." ie of his signature songs, first rmed by the Velvet Underground ater a staple of his solo act, was ly titled "Rock and Roll," a semi- iographical story of how music l the life of a young fan listening e radio.

s stage persona, often appearing og collar and eye makeup, opened oor for Bowie and other artists to exually ambivalent styles into the stream.

was personified in the landmark album "Rock N Roll Animal," sed in 1974. That record closely ved the studio-record rock opera n "Berlin," which he brought to gain with a 2006 concert that was e into a 2007 film directed by n Schnabel.

ter in his career, Reed became thing of an elder statesman of a towering figure in a club with w legends such as Bob Dylan and Young.

ed always placed great impor- e on songwriting. One of his first out of college was as a staff writer Pickwick Records. He dedicated 1966 Velvet Underground song opean Son" to the late poet, ore Schwartz, under whom he ed at Syracuse University.

ed was married three times, the t to Anderson in 2008, and in t years took an intense interest in ography, staging exhibitions of his t.



Weekdays
4-10am

FOX CT
NEWS

- *We Accept All Vehicles Running or Not
- *We Also Accept Boats, Motorcycles & RVs
- *Fully Tax Deductible

WheelsForWishes.org Call: (860) 249-8967

Everyone is invited to a:
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
State Project No. 42-TBD.

HOCKANUM RIVER LINEAR TRAIL - PHASE III

FROM THE END OF THE CURRENT TRAIL
EAST OF THE HILLSIDE STREET PARKING AREA
TO OLDE ROBERTS STREET NEAR ROBERTS STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

To be held 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30):
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013
in the
WELLING CONFERENCE ROOM
2ND FLOOR, TOWN HALL,
740 MAIN STREET
EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108

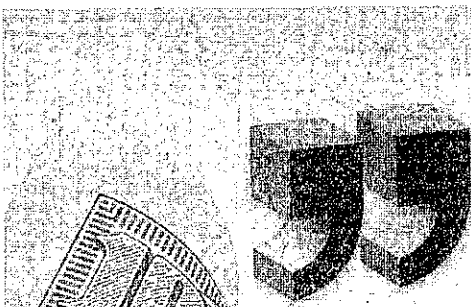
Residents, business owners, trail users, and other interested individuals are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn of and discuss the proposed work.

Written questions or comments should be directed to:

Ms. M. Denise Horan, P.E.
Town Engineer
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108
or at e-mail address
dhoran@easthartfordct.gov

**PLEASE JOIN US ON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013**

Location is ADA accessible. If language assistance is needed, please contact the East Hartford Department of Public Works, Engineering Division, at (860) 291-7380 at least 5 business days prior to the meeting.



LIBERTY
BANK

agreed the work should be done regardless of whether the grant is approved.

Board of Education member Jennifer Beausoleil said school officials sought funding that became available as a response to the December 2012 shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in

\$60,000 match.

The school board sent a memo to the council Oct. 21 asking members to confirm they still approved the expenditure, and council members agreed the school board should make the upgrades regardless of the grant.

The council approved \$68,000

Residents' input sought in Hockanum trail extension

By Steven Crighton

Journal Inquirer

EAST HARTFORD — As the town gears up to begin work on the long-awaited third phase of the Hockanum River Park Trail expansion, it is turning to the public for input.

The trail, which was created in the early 1990s, is split in two sections, town civil engineer Douglas Wilson said today.

One part runs from near the Charter Oak Bridge east of the Hockanum River, where it follows the river until it ends behind Hillside Cemetery. The other part runs west from just east of Veterans Memorial Park along Roberts Street to an open field about a mile from the cemetery.

The third phase of the plan includes the construction of a stone dust walking surface and four bridges over watercourses along the 3,700-foot trail, Wilson said. A viewing and seating area at the Hockanum River near Cottage Street has been proposed as part of the project.

Water tests planned Wednesday at Buckland mall

MANCHESTER — The town and sediment from being brought into the home's system.

If sediment does get into a customer's hot water tank, the homeowner should wait until the water clears and then open the faucet at the bottom of the tank to drain the

reduced pressure and discoloration

video for all types of cars, not just crisis situations.

But the bulk of the council's appropriation, roughly \$63,805, would cover new locks that would allow teachers to lock their doors from inside their classrooms.

Teachers currently can lock their doors only from the outside, requir-

Residents' input sought in Hockanum trail extension

including rejection by the Inland Wetlands Commission in 2003. The town contested that finding and the decision was overturned in Hartford Superior Court.

When plans for construction next began, Wilson said, funding for the project stalled. With federal funding now available, the town is in a financial position to move forward on the project.

"It's been a long project in the making," Wilson said. "But the plans are already designed, they're already approved by wetlands and zoning and the Army Corps."

Wilson said that if state Transportation Department gives its OK, construction likely would begin in 2015.

A meeting seeking residents' opinions is scheduled for Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Welling Conference Room on the second floor of Town Hall, 740 Main St.

Anyone looking for more information should contact the engineering division at 860-291-7380.

water, the load should be kept wet and done again after the water clears. Four ounces of cream of tartar should be added to help clean any discoloration of the clothing.

It normally takes a few hours for the water to clear in a home. If

vote shows **JOURNAL INQUIRER** / TUESDAY-OCTOBER 29-2013 7

Accountability in Education
www.mh.com

ECONOMY FUEL
812-0055

Journal Inquirer

JOURNAL PUBLISHING CO. INC.
OF MANCHESTER, CONN.

ELIZABETH S. ELLIS
President and Publisher

Vice President for News
and Managing Editor
Chris Powell

Assistant Managing Editor/News
Ralph W. Williams Jr.

Assistant Managing Editor/Production
Lee Giguere

Living Section Editor
Chip LeClerc

Sports Editor
Brian Coyne

Assistant Sports Editors
Neill R. Ostrout, John F. Silver

Associate Editors

Matt Buckler, Mike Callaghan, Jan Chapman, Sandra L. Daine, Doreen Guarino, Daniel Hatch, Jessica Hill, Kim Phillips, Elaine Sabo, Julie Sprengelmeyer, Nancy Thompson

General Manager
and Vice President for Finance
Walter Rudewicz

Vice President for Advertising
William K. Sybert

Vice President for Production
Timothy E. Noon

Vice President for Circulation
Gary Catania

FOUNDED IN 1968
The Tolland County Journal, founded in 1967

PLAY

BINGO
WEDNESDAY
OUPPERVILLE
STARTS
TIME
100PM
MUST CALL

ELKS LODGE
9 NORTH PARK ST. • ROCKVILLE

ADVERTISEMENT
St. Jude's Novena
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever, Amen. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day, by the Sin day your prayer will be answered. Say it for 9 days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank You, St. Jude, for granting my petition. O.P.

LEGAL DIRECTORY

Law Office of Jason G. Doyon, LLC
• Real Estate • Wills/Living Wills/Probate
• DWI/Criminal • Divorce and Family
• Business Consulting • Landlord/Tenant
Evening and Weekend Appointments
330 South Main St.
East Windsor CT
860-292-1060

CALL THE CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT

MARCIA A. LECLERC
MAYOR

ENGINEERING DIVISION



Phone: 860 291-7380
Fax: 860 289-0831

AGENDA

PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

DOT PROJECT No. 42-TBD
HOCKANUM RIVER LINEAR PARK TRAIL - PHASE III

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013, 6:30 PM
EAST HARTFORD TOWN HALL, 2ND FLOOR
WELLING CONFERENCE ROOM
740 MAIN STREET, EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108

I. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Mr. Douglas R. Wilson, P.E.
Civil Engineer
Town of East Hartford
Department of Public Works, Engineering Division

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

All comments and recommendations made at the public informational meeting will receive careful consideration by the Town of East Hartford and the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Written statements or exhibits for the record may be made in place of (or in addition to) oral statements made at this meeting. Such additional statements should be received at the following address no later than November 13, 2013:

M. Denise Horan, P.E., Town Engineer
Town of East Hartford
Department of Public Works, Engineering Division
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

**TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS • ENGINEERING DIVISION
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET**

PROJECT: Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III
State Project No. 42-TBD

MEETING LOCATION: Town Hall, 2ND Floor, Welling Conference Room, East Hartford

DATE: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

NAME	COMPANY	MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE & FAX #s	EMAIL ADDRESS
GARY PITCOCK	CT DOT	BERLIN TRAPIC, NEWINGTON, CT.	860-594-3484	GARY.PITCOCK@ CT.GOV
Marcia Keeler	Town of E. Hyd	740 Main St E. Hyd CT	860 291-7201	mkeller@easthartford gov
Pramod Pandey	CRLOB	241 Main St Merford CT 06106	860-522-2217 216	Ppandey@ CRLOB.org
KEN SEK	-	285 GRIFFIN RD S. WINDSOR, CT 06074	(860) 644-9405	KENSEK@COX.NET

David Heller Rogo Distributors 65 Robert St. 860-989-8025 dheller@asgoodman.com
COW

Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III
 Project 42-TBD
 Public Information Meeting Sign-In Sheet

NAME	COMPANY	MAILING ADDRESS	PHONE & FAX #s	EMAIL ADDRESS
Abrian Spence	-	153 Shadycrest Drive	860-221-4157	SpenceArian@gmail.com
Joe Musdzek	-	1648 Main St	860-290-8793	campers5@shcglevel.net
Shawn Musdzek	-	1648 Main Street	860-290-8793	shawnm9@shcglevel.net
Sherry Auna		4 Cottage St	860-299-5108	Algebra @ Connect.net
Doug Wilson	Town of EAST HARTFORD	740 Main St	860-291-7383	DWILSON@EASTHARTFORD.GOV
Denise Horan	Town of EH	..	860-291-7384	shoran@easthartford.ct.gov

MARCIA A. LECLERC
MAYOR

ENGINEERING DIVISION



Phone: 860 291-7380
Fax: 860 289-0831

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

DOT PROJECT No. 42-TBD
HOCKANUM RIVER LINEAR PARK TRAIL - PHASE III

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013, 6:30 PM
EAST HARTFORD TOWN HALL, 2ND FLOOR
WELLING CONFERENCE ROOM
740 MAIN STREET, EAST HARTFORD, CT 06108

I. Mr. Ken Sek, 285 Griffin Road, South Windsor, CT

- Trail is used quite extensively by people walking through Town now and it is a natural connection for people going from Martin Park to/from Chipper Drive
- This part of the trail is long overdue, the trail has lots of use
- Pratt & Whitney employees have been helping with cleanups in this area for the past several years (esp. for the source to sea cleanup)
- The area has abundant wildlife
- The trail is a benefit to East Hartford & is relatively unknown because you have to walk into the woods as opposed to the areas with boardwalks on either side
- He is sure more people will learn of and use the trail when it is improved
- The trail is worth doing, overdue and a benefit to the people of East Hartford
- Doesn't believe there is a security issue with houses on the other side of the Hockanum River or the Willow Brook outfall channel
- Noted that people would need to wade across water to reach the houses
- Asked if the federal funding has been allocated? Answer: no - that is the purpose of this meeting, to initiate the funding

II. Gentleman accompanying Mrs. Kniep

- Walkability is an issue
- Is concerned about maintenance of the existing trail, for example the section behind Town Hall where the boardwalk is extremely warped (35 deg slant)
- Feels that repairs to that section should occur before building more trail
- Noted that overlooks are now missing behind Town Hall
- Wonders why more money is going into building when so much maintenance is needed?
- Wants to know what the maintenance costs will be
- Goes along with the concept of a nature place, but believes that a simple (dirt) path is sufficient
- How do we keep the trail open?
- Existing section of trail behind Town Hall is not accessible
- Are the trails behind Town Hall an ADA violation? They should be fixed first

III. Mr. Harry Gruss, Sr., 4 Cottage Street, East Hartford, CT

- Walks the path five days a week with his dog, has seen the trail erode at the river edge
- Where is maintenance coming from?
- Security for houses/private property along the trail - who will indemnify against private property damage by trail users
- Doesn't want out-of-pocket expenses to fix damage from trail users nor his insurance rates to increase as a result of the trail
- Security on the trail is an issue; a family member had 2 incidents where they only felt safe because they had a dog with them
- What police controls/security patrols will protect persons using the trail?
- States that he has had dozens of people come down Cottage Street
- Believes that trail users will come down Cottage Street
- Reports that four times this summer people have entered his property from across the drainage ditch - what will stop them when the trail is improved?
- Wants a copy of meeting minutes from this meeting

IV. Mrs. Susan Kniep, 44, 46 & 50 Olde Roberts Street, East Hartford, CT

- Believes that there is a dollar and cents issue with the trail, wants to be clear about the source of funding
- Feels that the project would need to go before the bond commission; doubts that the bond was approved for this project
- If the federal funds do not come through, how much money will this cost the Town of East Hartford? Answer: No - once we go away from federal funding administered by the DOT, costs change.
- Suggests that the Rogo parking lot would be used for trail access by the public; naïve to think that people will only access the trail from the Hillside parking area
- Believes that security is extremely important; rear of her property will abut the trail; she doesn't want people coming up from the trail onto her property
- Since the Town has "some crime" she wants assurances that there will be patrols of the trail and continued Town funding for police to patrol these areas
- Feels that trail users will use Cottage Street, regardless if there is a right-of-way or not
- Stated it is irrelevant if people can or can't come onto private property from the trail and the conditions there... focus should be on the funding, stated that funding the project is an insult
- What has been built is there, it needs tending to and cleaning up by volunteers
- Wants to know why we are spending money on the trail?
- Really wants to know where the money is: is the state sitting on the cash or does this have to go to the bond commission?
- Requested a clearly delineated chart on the finances of the project by Monday *{provided at the end of the meeting}*

V. Mr. David Heller, Rogo Distributors, 65 Roberts Street, East Hartford, CT

- Asked if signs would indicate the on-road extension from the proposed end of the trail at Olde Roberts Street to the eastern sections of the trail? Answer: No signs proposed on the road

VI. Mr. Joe Murdzek, 1648 Main Street, East Hartford, CT

- He is a 20 year resident, raised 3 children in Town, also a Boy Scout volunteer
- His family & the boy scout troop has made great use of the trails
- Before the boardwalks were so damaged, he organized a charity walk that used the trail, the boardwalk conditions now makes that impossible
- His general impression is that if finances are appropriate, believes that the trail sounds great, feels the trail is great for the quality of life in East Hartford, even though it is a difficult time in the country right now
- Believes it is important for our children to appreciate moments of nature
- On the trail, you cannot tell you are even in East Hartford, trail is really quite beautiful

VII. Mayor Marcia Leclerc, Burnham Street, East Hartford, CT

- Stated she enjoys walking with her dog on the trails and does so on a regular basis
- She takes safety precautions and uses good judgment on the trails - encourages all to do the same
- She has never felt unsafe on the trails
- Believes that this section is a natural extension of the existing trails
- Looks forward to walking this trail section, when complete
- She recalled the first time walking the trails and especially the bridge over the river at Martin Park, she finds the trails a peaceful place
- She passes a lot of people on the trails

Town of East Hartford
State Project # 42-TBD
Hockanum River Linear park Trail - Phase III

**PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED OUTSIDE
OF THE PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**

In addition to the comments received at the public information meeting, the Town received four (4) letters, six (6) emails, and three (3) phone calls relative to this project. Comments included herein:

10/23/13 Call from Roger Loeb
10/23/13 Call from Andrew Chambers
10/27/13 Letter from Harry Gruss
10/29/13 Call from Andrew Chambers
10/30/13 Email from Shawn Murdzek
11/1/13 Email from Ken Sek
11/1/13 Letter from Harry Gruss
11/7/13 Letter from State Senator Gary LeBeau
11/9/13 Email from Doug Smith
11/9/13 Email from Bruce Jokubaitis
11/10/13 Email from Stacy Smith
11/11/13 Email from Christine Durrer, Chair of the Hockanum River Commission
11/13/13 Letter from State Senator Tim Larson

RECORD OF PHONE CONVERSATION

DRW

3:26

returned call from Mr. Roger Loeb from Allan Goodman/Rogo Distributors

Page 1 of 1

Mr. Loeb remembered that, at one point, the trail was

23 Oct 2013

supposed to go on Rogo property (along the south side of

Olde Roberts Street) - wanted to know if this project proposed trail on his property?

DW Answer: NO - trail is in the woods north of Olde Roberts Street and terminates

at Olde Roberts Street, there is no extension to the east proposed at this time

Mr. Loeb had no opposition to the trail going in the woods

RECORD OF PHONE CONVERSATION

DRW

Page 1 of 1

23 Oct 2013

3:52

call from Andrew Chambers - property owner on Cottage Street

- wanted to know how close the trail would be to Cottage Street?

DW Answer: 50 ft to the Willow Brook outfall; 80 ft to the trail

- has issues with the trail, what it will attract

- worried about noise

- no problems with the existing trail now; he does not see people on the trail now

- concerned about motorized access

- doesn't believe that the police department will patrol the trails

- he is not against the trail, but it is "too close for comfort"

- doesn't believe he will be able to attend the meeting (out of town)

DW offered that written comments will be accepted up to 2 weeks after the meeting

and that DW would meet with Cottage Street owners at their convenience

4:16

call from Andrew Chambers

10/29/13

- indicated that Cottage Street is private and the trail should have no access from

Cottage Street as indicated in the Journal Inquirer article

DW response: the article only mentions an overlook to the river in the vicinity of

Cottage Street

- believes that the trail will bring undesirable individuals to the area

- believes that the trail needs to be re-routed away from Cottage Street, even though that area has wetlands and flood zone

- he is OK with the exit at Olde Roberts Street

DW offered email access for any written comments

October 27, 2013

M. Denis Horan, P.E.
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Re: Phase III Hockanum River Linear Park Trail

M. Horan,

My name is Harry Gruss and I am the property owner and resident of 4 Cottage Street. I would like to address some concerns about Phase III of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail.

First, what steps have been or will be implemented to prevent users of the linear trail from crossing the Willow Brook bypass channel, either from curiosity or nefarious intent, and encroaching on the private properties that abut the public land on which the trail runs? What indemnification will be in place to compensate the owners of private property for any damage or vandalism that might be sustained?

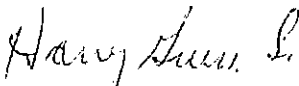
Second, what steps will be implemented to ensure the safety of the individual who might utilize the trail for exercise and/or relaxation? Will there be security patrols or police patrols of the trail? Although I have not encountered any difficulties myself, I am aware of two incidents in which a young lady could have been harmed if her dog had not accompanied her on the walk. Both of these incidents were reported to the police department.

Finally, does this trail lie in the federal or state wetlands? If so, has the plan been reviewed by the appropriate wetlands committee for complete compliance with the federal or state guidelines for the use of wetlands in order to preserve this portion of the woodlands in East Hartford as well as the wildlife and/or protected species that inhabit the woodlands?

Although I believe that this project will continue despite the opinions of the citizenry of East Hartford, I hope that the above concerns have been or will be addressed during the final planning stages of the project.

Thank you for listening to and considering my concerns, I am

Sincerely,



Harry Gruss, Sr.
4 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108-3719

RECEIVED

OCT 28 2013

ASST. CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Wilson, Douglas

From: Shawn Murdzek [shawnm9@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 9:56 PM
To: Wilson, Douglas
Subject: Hockanum Linear Trail

Dear Mr. Wilson,

I am Shawn Murdzek and I would like to speak (or write I suppose) very briefly on behalf of the Hockanum Linear Trail. I have lived in East Hartford my entire life and I have used the trail very often for scout events, church walks, and even for cross country when I was at East Hartford Middle School. The trail has always been a magically place for me to easily escape the stressful outside world and relax in nature. I have seen many different types of wildlife while walking along that trail, including herons and deer. I fully support the plan of extending the trail past Hillside to Olde Roberts Street. I have personally walked through that area and I think that the scenery there is wonderful and that laying down some stone dust would help other East Hartford residents realize that that section exists, so that way they too can experience the beauty of the Hockanum River water shed.

Thanks for reading my opinions,

Shawn Murdzek
Class of 2015 EHHS
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Troop 1 East Hartford
Junior Drum Major, East Hartford "Hornet" Marching Band
Varsity Captain, East Hartford Cross Country Team

Wilson, Douglas

From: Ken Sek [kensek@cox.net]
Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 1:51 PM
To: Wilson, Douglas
Cc: Christine Durrer; Paula Saaf; gary.pitcock@po.state.ct.us
Subject: Information About Phase III Of The Hockanum River Linear Park Trail

Douglas,

At the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail Public Informational Meeting on 10/30/13 there were several questions raised by individuals concerning:

1. Safety of homes in the vicinity of the trail.
2. Safety of individuals using the trail.

Today I visited the Police Dept. Complex at the corner of Burnside Ave. and School St. I first talked to Police Officer Tarascio, who was manning the Information Area. While he could not give exact numbers on either of the above, he said that in his 28 years with the East Hartford Police Dept. he had never heard of any incidents concerning either of the topics above. He did say that a source of information regarding these topics might be Police Sgt. Demaine, who would be available next Monday.

I next went to the Records Dept. (also in the Complex) and talked to Katie (from Records). She had worked there for 7 years, and also had no memory of any incidents concerning either of the topics above. On checking the record history (which went back to the mid-1990's) she found one incident that occurred at the Hockanum Linear Park on Elm Street in 2000, but I did not get details. She also asked Diane (also from Records) who has worked there for 16 years, and Diane also had no memory of any incidents concerning either of the topics above.

Personally, I would say that there is nothing (based on my talks with the above individuals) to indicate that the safety of homes and/or individuals would be compromised by the completion of Phase III of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail through East Hartford.

Thank you,
Kenneth Sek
(860) 644-9405

November 1, 2013

Mr. Douglas R. Wilson, P.E.
Civil Engineer
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Re: Phase III Hockanum River Linear Park Trail

Mr. Wilson,

First I would like to commend for your patience at the Wednesday meeting concerning the linear trail. It is not an easy task to stand in front of such questioning and apparent lack of interest on the part of the citizenry of East Hartford.

Also I thank you for the historical summary of this linear park and land purchases, which began in 1990, continued in 1999 and now has been resurrected in 2013.

Upon returning home and discussing the meeting with my family I discovered that there were several items that should have been addressed by the public at this meeting. I would like to present them to you for consideration.

First, what is the projected date for the commencement of construction on the project? It seems to me that nothing has been decided, as there may be some minor hurdles to overcome before beginning work.

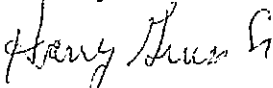
Second, what is the projected date for completion of the project? I realize that this date is subject to change as unexpected difficulties can arise and Mother Nature can throw many curves that will affect the work.

Third, how was the layout of the trail determined? Given the serpentine curves of the Hockanum River, the ups and downs of the topographic of the land and the random growth of trees, I wonder how the twists and turns of the trail will be or have been planned.

Lastly, as you mentioned a staging area near the Hillside Cemetery, I wonder what type of construction equipment will be utilized and how the stone dust will be conveyed to the linear trail. Will these methods disrupt the landscape?

Once again I thank you for taking time to review this letter and for your patience with my concerns and questions.

Sincerely



Harry Gruss, Sr.
4 Cottage Street
East Hartford, CT 06108-3719

RECEIVED

NOV 9 4 2013

COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC DEFENSE
CIVIL ENGINEERING DIVISION

SENATOR GARY D. LEBEAU
Third District

State Capitol, Room 110
Hartford, Connecticut 06106-1591

Tel. (860) 240-0511
www.SenatorLeBeau.cga.ct.gov



State of Connecticut
SENATE

DEPUTY PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Chair

Commerce Committee
Transportation Bonding Subcommittee

Vice Chair

Energy & Technology Committee
Finance, Revenue & Bonding Committee

Member

Legislative Management Committee

November 7, 2013

M. Denise Horan, P.E.
Town Engineer
Town of East Hartford
Engineering Division
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

Dear Denise,

I am writing this letter to offer my support to the Town of East Hartford as it seeks to build the third phase of construction on the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail. This addition will connect the existing trail and boardwalk to Olde Roberts Street. Specifically, we will begin construction on additional walking surfaces, bridges, seating, and handicap-accessible ramps.

Phase III has been designed using residual 1988 grant funds from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). Construction would also be eligible for funding from Federal Section 125 funds, if approved by the community. As such, this proposal would benefit the Town of East Hartford without further burdening our taxpayers.

Although I was unable to attend the informational meeting on October 30th due to previous commitments, I am strongly in favor of this project. This is a worthy plan and the Phase III design will help connect the project to larger greenways. Furthermore, the project at-large promotes environmental interests and outdoor activities in our community.

Please feel free to call my office at (860) 240-0511 if you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary D. LeBeau".

Gary D. LeBeau
State Senator, 3rd District

RECEIVED

NOV 08 2013

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SENATE
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Wilson, Douglas

From: Hikethehockanum@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, November 09, 2013 2:47 PM
To: Horan, Denise; kensek@cox.net; ehhc@yahoo.com; hikethehockanum@aol.com
Subject: Supporting Hockanum New Trail Extension

Hi Denise, Ken and Paula,

As Chairman of the Manchester Hockanum River Linear Park Committee, and former Chairman of the Hockanum River Watershed Association, I strongly support the proposed Extension of the E.H. Trail upstream to Roberts Street, Phase III.

I have worked with the E.H. Committee in past years and am most anxious to see that trail continued out to the local streets with the needed trail improvements to make it much more hiker friendly.

I helped build the first footbridge across the first brook upstream from the boardwalk in from Woodland Street Parking Lot.

So I wish you well in this key work process upstream,

Doug Smith, 860-402-9908, hikethehockanum@aol.com

P.S. Having attended recent regional meetings, at Goowdin, with John Larson and the other Hockanum Town trail leaders to promote connecting all 4 Hockanum Town's Trails, I am working with Christine to get together with Harry James and Emil Downey, jr to try to get permission to extend our Manchester Laurel Marsh Trail downstream to East Hartford and to have Harry give us permission to allow extension of the E.H. Trail upstream to Manchester behind his Powder Mill Shopping center.

I will let Christine know when I make some progress with Emil on Fountain Village property.

Doug Smith

Wilson, Douglas

From: Bruce Jokubaitis [bjokubaitis@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2013 10:29 AM

To: Wilson, Douglas

Subject: Hockanum River Trail (New section)

Douglas R. Wilson, P.E.

Civil Engineer

Town of East Hartford

Dear Mr. Wilson,

I am a lifetime East Hartford resident and have served on the East Hartford Town of East Hartford Hockanum River Commission for years. As such, I have been actively involved in maintaining the trails and grounds surrounding the river. I also enjoy hiking and observing wildlife from the trails here in East Hartford.

I support the improvement or extension of the Hockanum River Trail to Olde Roberts St. I have used the current trail thru this section often for both recreation and non recreation purposes. It provides a necessary non-vehicle link between the east side of town and the East Hartford Business District and beyond to Hartford. One only need to notice the Ghost Bicycles along the alternate street routes to recognise the need for this vital connector. The existing trails in this section are incomplete and prone to flooding and erosion. The improved trails are not just used by people, wildlife also frequent the improved sections for easier travel and their scent gets mixed with peoples.

I believe improving and extending the Hockanum River Trail to Olde Roberts St. would benefit East Hartford.

Sincerely,
Bruce Jokubaitis

Wilson, Douglas

From: stacys1@juno.com
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2013 9:38 PM
To: Wilson, Douglas
Subject: Hockanum River Trail Extension

Douglas R. Wilson, P.E.
Civil Engineer
Town of East Hartford

Dear Mr. Wilson,

I have recently moved back to East Hartford, but have served on the East Hartford Hockanum River Commission for years. I have been involved in maintaining the trails and the land surrounding the river as well as helping clean the river itself. I have often enjoyed walking the trails in East Hartford, observing a wide variety of wildlife, the river, and enjoying the peace of nature. The trails have provided me a pleasant place to exercise, commune with nature and enjoy the company of friends. I have often walked the trail that connects Hillside and Olde Roberts Street. That area also provides access to little known scenic views that are assets to East Hartford. Improving the trail system would allow more people to discover and enjoy these vistas.

I support the improvement and extension of the Hockanum River Trail to Olde Roberts St. It provides a necessary and pleasant pedestrian link between the east side of town and the East Hartford Business District. Because the existing trails in this section are incomplete and prone to flooding and erosion they are not as accessible to less able bodied individuals or bicyclists. The improved trails would improve accessibility. In addition, wildlife would also frequent the improved sections for easier travel providing people more opportunities to observe local wildlife like deer and turkeys. Improving and defining the trail would also insure that the public would have a clear understanding of where it is and would be less likely to wonder onto private property bordering the park system.

I believe improving and extending the Hockanum River Trail to Olde Roberts St. would greatly benefit East Hartford.

Sincerely,

Stacy Smith

Wilson, Douglas

From: Christinedurrer@aol.com
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2013 1:13 PM
To: Horan, Denise
Subject: Proposed Trail Extension

Dear Denise - I am very much in favor of having the East Hartford trail extended as proposed at the recent town hall meeting. Last summer (2012), fellow volunteers and I rolled out about 200 tires that had been sitting there for 50 years near where the trail will go thru. More recently we have been trying to work with the owner of A&B Salvage to get the bus and car out that have been there over 50 years. I understand that that will finally come out as part of this project.

I heard that a few people that live along where the trail will be built are not happy about it, that they think they will be in danger and have felt that way in the past. It seems that no police reports were filed and so they have nothing to validate that claim. The Hockanum River is a treasure for all people to appreciate and the trail will not be on those people's property. I live next to a town lot which abuts the dike of the Connecticut River and I cannot judge who is allowed to walk there. We must learn to live with our fellow citizens even when we are older. I think when the trail is finished she will appreciate that many of us care for the trails weekly like the retired fellows who are out there 3 times a week, or monthly like Ken Sek who does it out of the goodness of his heart or yearly thru the Source to Sea Cleanup which had over 50 volunteers cleaning the East Hartford portion of the river this year. We cleaned up a lot of really yucky stuff. I don't recall getting any help from the people opposing the trails since I have been organizing the cleanups for about 4 years now. I hope a few voices will not keep the many visitors that the Hockanum River and trails gets from enjoying it more fully. Also, I find that the way that part of the trail is currently set up is confusing, and I have lost my way a couple of times, so a more defined trail would be safer.

Thank you. Christine Durrer, East Hartford Hockanum River Commission Chairman

Ms. Denise Horan, PE
East Hartford Town Engineer
740 Main Street
East Hartford, CT 06108

November 13, 2013

Re: Hockanum New Trail Extension

Dear Denise,

As State Representative and member of the Banks, Finance, Revenue & Bonding and Transportation Committee, I am in strong favor of having the East Hartford trail extended as proposed at the recent town hall meeting.

The proposed extension of the East Hartford Trail upstream to Roberts Street is an improvement and enhancement of the trail. This extension will also provide more accessibility to the trail by people who frequent the area.

I use the trail personally three times a week and sincerely feel this is a great asset to the community.

I urge you to look favorably upon the extension of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail. Please contact me if I can provide you with more information

Sincerely,



Tim Larson

Cc: Christine Durrer
Stacy Smith

Peter Klock
Anthony Hollister

David Cannell
Fern Strong

Bruce Jokubitis

OFFICE OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD
740 Main Street
East Hartford, Connecticut 06108

(860) 291-7208

FAX (860) 291-7389

I, Angela M. Attenello, the duly appointed Clerk of the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the East Hartford Town Council of said corporation duly held on the 10th day of December, 2013.

RESOLVED, that the Town of East Hartford, through its Town Council, does acknowledge that a Public Information Meeting was conducted on October 30,,2013 and after consideration of input received does support the advancement of design and subsequent construction of the Hockanum River Linear Park Trail (Phase III) for extension of the existing trail from 1,000 feet east of the Hillside Road parking area to Olde Roberts Street at an estimated construction cost of \$720,000 utilizing funding from the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 Division I, Title I, Section 125 Surface Transportation Priorities and other municipally-secured funding sources, otherwise identified as State Project 42-TBD5 be, and hereby is, approved.

AND I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the above resolution has not been in anyway altered, amended, or repealed, and is now in full force and effect.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Town of East Hartford this 11th day of December, 2013.



Angela M. Attenello
Town Council Clerk



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DATE: January 10, 2017
TO: Richard F. Kehoe, Chair
FROM: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc 
RE: RESOLUTION: America the Beautiful Grant

The Town of East Hartford is once again eligible to receive grant funds through the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) through their Division of urban Forestry for an America the Beautiful Grant.

The town is eligible to receive \$4,000.00 that will be matched with an in-kind contribution for the maintenance and planting of approximately 12 trees on Main Street.

Please find attached the corresponding draft resolution and additional information. Please place this information on the agenda for the January 17, 2017 meeting. I recommend that the Town Council approve this request as submitted and adopt the attached resolution authorizing my signature on documents associated with the grant application.

Thank you.

C: T. Bockus, Director of Public Works
P. O'Sullivan, Grants Manager

I, Angela M. Attenello, Clerk of the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Town Council of said corporation, duly held on the 17th day of January, 2017.

WHEREAS, the State Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has made funding available under the America the Beautiful (ATB) Urban Forestry Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, ATB Grants may be used to support urban forestry activities sponsored by municipalities for a wide range of activities; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to strategically plant trees on Main Street to support and enhance the Downtown District,

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; that Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to make application to, and execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all documents, contracts, and amendments as may be required under the America the Beautiful Urban Forestry Grant Program.

AND I DO CERTIFY that the above resolution has not been in any way altered, amended, or repealed, and is now in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut this ____ day of January, 2017.

Signed: _____
Angela M. Attenello
Town Council Clerk

seal

GRANTS ADMINISTRATION
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc
FROM: Paul O'Sullivan, Grants Manager *PMOJ*
SUBJECT: Council Resolution – America the Beautiful (ATB) Grant Application
DATE: January 10, 2017

Attached is a draft Town Council resolution authorizing you as Mayor to apply to the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Division of Urban Forestry for an America the Beautiful (ATB) Grant.

The ATB program supports urban forestry efforts throughout out the state. The Town intends to apply for \$4,000 for the planting approximately 12 trees (depending on cost) on Main Street as a follow-up to the plantings that were funded by an earlier application under this program.

The ATB program requires a one-to-one match, but does allow in-kind costs to address that requirement. Current plans call for this match to be fulfilled by the Town's in-kind contribution of staff time necessary to plant and maintain the trees, and administer the grant.

I respectfully request that this item be placed on the Town Council agenda for their meeting to be held on January 17, 2017. Please contact me at extension 7206 if you have any questions.

Attachments (2)

Cc: Eileen Buckheit, Development Director
Timothy Bockus, Director of Public Works

Overview of the 2017 America the Beautiful Grants

For this year, DEEP Forestry has \$100,000 available in grant funding for urban forestry projects. All grants must be completed by June 30, 2018. No extensions will be given. Funding for this grant program is provided through the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative and is authorized by the Commissioner of DEEP. For more details on the RGGI program, visit www.RGGI.org.

Incorporated 501-c non-profit organizations, municipalities and other units of local government are eligible for these grants, providing they possess a Federal Employment Identification Number (FEIN).

Grant requests under the America the Beautiful (ATB) program may be for any amount up to \$12,000. The primary goal of the America the Beautiful Grant Program is to advance urban forestry within the State of Connecticut. Applicants must clearly identify how project proposals will work towards achieving this goal. Grant applicants are encouraged to become familiar with Connecticut's Forest Action Plan, including the vision for urban forestry as described on page 149 of the 2015 revision of that plan. The 2015 Forest Action Plan can be viewed on the DEEP Forestry web site: www.ct.gov/deep/ForestActionPlan.

Grants that are larger in size will not be favored over smaller grants, or vice versa. Applicants are encouraged to keep this in mind when submitting their applications. Please see the Review Criteria listed on page 8.

In most cases, the ATB grants are reimbursement grants. In other words, payment for the granted activity will occur after the grant project has been completed and only for expenditures made by the grant recipient in accordance with the grant agreement. Proof that payments have been made must be submitted before reimbursement will occur. Infrequently, allowances will be made for the disbursement of a portion of the grant funding prior to the completion of the project. Such allowances will be held to a minimum. Applicants seeking such partial payment in advance of completion of the grant must make that request as part of the application process.

Once the successful grant applications have been selected, DEEP Forestry will begin the process of establishing a written contract between DEEP and the grant recipient. **Under no circumstances may there be reimbursement for funds expended prior to the completion of the grant paperwork.** When the paperwork is complete and the grant contract is fully executed, grant recipients will be notified.

It is a requirement for reimbursement that all expenditures are to be matched 50:50. This match may be a financial match, done through the expenditure of additional funds, or it may be achieved by the in-kind contributions of goods or services. A combination of additional expenditures and in-kind contributions is also acceptable. Grant recipients will not be allowed to use funding from other federal sources as a match for this grant.

To be considered, a copy of the grant application must be received by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2017**. Grant applications may be submitted by mail, electronically or by fax. Grant applications must include the Application Form that is at the end of this document along with a summary of the proposed budget. Projects involving tree planting must include a site plan or planting plan. Additional descriptive information may be included, not to exceed two pages. Letters of support are welcome.

All projects must be completed June 30, 2018.

The address for the submission of applications is:

America the Beautiful Attn: Chris Donnelly
DEEP Division of Forestry
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

FAX: 860-424-4070

Email: chris.donnelly@ct.gov

TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION
GRANT INFORMATION FORM

Grant Description: America the Beautiful Urban Forestry Grant

Funder: CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Grant Amount: \$4,000

Frequency: One time Annual Biennial Other* _____

First year received:	<u>2012</u>		
Last 3 years received:	<u>2012</u>	<u>2014</u>	_____
Funding level by year:	<u>\$7,050.00</u>	<u>\$5,274.95</u>	

Is a local match required? Yes No

If yes, how much? 50 percent of project cost

From which account? Local match will consist of in-kind services provided by Town personnel.

Grant purpose: Advancing urban forestry in communities throughout the state.

Results achieved: Enhancement of East Hartford's urban forest through the planting of approximately 12 trees on Main Street.

Duration of grant: Project completion required by June 30, 2018.


Status of application: Under development

Meeting attendee: Public Works Director Timothy Bockus, x7372

Comments: Grant has been offered annually, but program is subject to funding availability from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.



TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DATE: January 10, 2017
TO: Richard F. Kehoe, Chair
FROM: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc 
RE: RESOLUTION: Intertown Capital Equipment Grant

The Town of East Hartford is eligible to receive financial assistance through the State Office of Policy and Management (OPM) for the purchase and joint acquisition of a maintenance vehicle through OPM's Intertown Capital Equipment Grant (ICE).

The town has an opportunity to share with the Town of Manchester the use of a John Deere roadside and greenway mower at a cost of just 10 percent of the \$138,583 equipment purchase price (\$13,858). The Town of Manchester will act as the lead agency and has completed the pre-application to OPM.

Please find attached the corresponding draft resolution and additional information. Please place this information on the agenda for the January 17, 2017 meeting. I recommend that the Town Council approve this request as submitted and adopt the attached resolution authorizing my signature on documents associated with the grant application.

Thank you.

C: T. Bockus, Director of Public Works
P. O'Sullivan, Grants Manager

I, Angela M. Attenello, the duly appointed Clerk of the Town Council of the Town of East Hartford, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the East Hartford Town Council of said corporation, duly held on the 17th day of January, 2017

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS; the state Office of Policy and Management has made available funding through the Intertown Capital Equipment (ICE) Purchase Incentive Program and,

WHEREAS; the ICE program provides financial assistance to two or more municipalities for the joint acquisition of capital equipment and,

WHEREAS; there exists an opportunity for the Town of East Hartford to join with the Town of Manchester to purchase equipment to enhance the performance of the Public Works departments of both Towns

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; that Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to make application to, and execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all documents, contracts, and amendments as may be required by the State of Connecticut as they pertain to this Intertown Capital Equipment Purchase Incentive Program grant.

AND I DO CERTIFY that the above resolution has not been in any way altered, amended, or repealed, and is now in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereunto set my hand and affix the corporate seal of said Town of East Hartford the ___ day of January, 2017.

Seal

Signed: _____
Angela M. Attenello, Council Clerk



GUIDELINES
2015 Intertown Capital Equipment Purchase Incentive Program

House Bill No. 6853

Public Act No. 15-170

**AN ACT CONCERNING GRANTS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE INTERTOWN
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PURCHASE INCENTIVE PROGRAM.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 4-66m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

(a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate twenty million dollars, provided ten million dollars of said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2012.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management for the purpose of providing grants-in-aid under the intertown capital equipment purchase incentive program established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(c) (1) There is established an intertown capital equipment purchase incentive program to provide grants to municipalities to jointly acquire, on and after October 1, 2011, by purchase or by lease, equipment and vehicles necessary to the performance or delivery of a required governmental function or service.

(2) Grant funds may be used for acquisition costs of (A) equipment with an anticipated remaining useful life of not less than five years from the date of purchase or entry into a lease, including, but not limited to, data processing equipment that has a unit price of less than one thousand dollars, that a municipality uses in the performance or delivery of a required governmental function or service, and (B) a maintenance vehicle, pick-up truck, tractor, truck tractor or utility trailer, as each said term is defined in section 14-1, or any other similar type of vehicle that a municipality uses in the performance or delivery of a required governmental function or service. Each grant shall be not more than [fifty] eighty per cent of the total acquisition cost of such equipment or vehicle, or [two hundred fifty] three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars, whichever is less.

GUIDELINES

2015 Intertown Capital Equipment Purchase Incentive Program

The following is referenced in § 4-66m, and is provided for your referral:

CHAPTER 246* MOTOR VEHICLES

Sec. 14-1. *(See end of section for amended version and effective date.)

Definitions.

(46) "Maintenance vehicle" means any vehicle in use by the state or by any town, city, borough or district, any state bridge or parkway authority or any public service company, as defined in section 16-1, in the maintenance of public highways or bridges and facilities located within the limits of public highways or bridges;

TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION
GRANT INFORMATION FORM

Grant Description: Intertown Capital Equipment (ICE) Grant

Funder: State Office of Policy and Management (OPM)

Grant Amount: \$111,141*

Frequency: One time Annual Biennial Other _____

First year received:	<u>Not applicable</u>		
Last 3 years received:	_____	_____	_____
Funding level by year:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Is a local match required? Yes No

If yes, how much? 10 percent of the \$138,583 equipment purchase price (\$13,858)

From which account? Public Works Operating Budget

Grant purpose: The ICE Program, provides financial assistance to two or more municipalities for the joint acquisition of vehicles used in the maintenance of public highways or bridges and facilities located within the limits of public highways or bridges.

Results achieved: The Town will share, with the Town of Manchester, the use of a John Deere roadside and greenway mower.

Duration of grant: After the completion of the acquisition and submission of any final reports and invoices, there will be no further State oversight of the project.

Status of application: As the lead applicant, the Town of Manchester has handled the pre-application (competitive) phase. Council approval of the resolution will allow the two Towns to move to the final application (noncompetitive) phase, which includes a written inter-municipal agreement governing the use of the equipment and the responsibilities of each Town.

Meeting attendee: Public Works Director Timothy Bockus

Comments: *Grant amount does not include 10 percent matching funds to be provided by the Town of Manchester.

OFFICE OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD

740 Main Street

East Hartford, Connecticut 06108



Robert J. Leclerc

2017 JAN 12 A 8:53

(860) 291-7208

TOWN CLERK
EAST HARTFORD

FAX (860) 291-7389

DATE: January 12, 2017

TO: Town Council Members

FROM: Rich Kehoe, Chair

RE: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 7:00 p.m. Town Council Majority Office

In accordance with Section 3.3 (a) of the Town Charter, a Special Meeting of the Town Council will be held as follows:

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Town Council Majority Office

The purpose of the meeting is to meet in executive session to discuss the pending workers' compensation claim of Gary Willett v. Town of East Hartford.

cc: Mayor Leclerc
Scott Chadwick, Corporation Counsel
Trent Sullivan, Risk Manager