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EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
JANUARY 7, 2014

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
 - A. Anthony "Tony" Kayser
- 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. December 10, 2013 Executive Session
 - B. December 10, 2013 Regular Meeting
- 6. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS
 - A. Responses to Questions Asked of Administration Board of Education's Policy for the Disposition of Furniture
- 7. OLD BUSINESS
- 8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Transfer of Capital Improvement Project Funds re: EHHS Tennis Court Repairs
 - B. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Brownfields Assessment Program
- 9. OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION
- 10. COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS
- 11. OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK
 - A. Other Elected Officials
 - B. Other Residents
 - C. Mayor
- 12. ADJOURNMENT (next meeting: January 21, 2014)

Whereas, Anthony "Tony" Kayser served the community of East Hartford for 44 years on the Planning and Zoning Commission until his recent passing, 28 of those years as Chair of the Commission; and

Whereas, under Tony Kayser's leadership, the Planning and Zoning Commission has a reputation of fairness, equity and integrity; and

Whereas, Tony Kayser brought to the Commission his broad building and construction expertise from his professional experience; and

Whereas, Tony Kayser's service as the Commission Chair is unparalleled in length of time and in quality of leadership and a testament to his personal sense of fairness and thoughtfulness; and

Whereas, Tony demonstrated the same intense level of commitment and dedication to his family and his church, selflessly providing guidance and setting high standards; and

Whereas, Tony also had a passion for the Boston Red Sox and the University of Connecticut basketball teams.

Now therefore be it resolved that the East Hartford Town Council offers its sincere appreciation to Tony Kayser's family for his incredible record of service to our community. And to put it in the baseball terms that Tony so dearly loved: Tony Kayser singles to left field, advances to second on a bunt by his son, Rick - moves to third on a hit from his daughter Elisaand, with his wife Lynn's hit up the middle, Tony – with the wonderful help of his family – is safely home. Godspeed, Tony.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2014 in the Town of East Hartford, Connecticut

Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor

Richard F. Kehoe, Chair

William P. Horan, Jr., Vice Chair Barbara-Ann Rossi, Majority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Minority Leader

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TOWN COUNCIL MAJORITY OFFICE

DECEMBER 10, 2013

TOWN CLERK EAST HARTFORD

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRESENT

Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader Barbara-Ann Rossi, Minority Leader

Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Linda A. Russo, Ram Aberasturia,

Patricia Harmon and Anita D. Morrison

ABSENT

Chair Richard F. Kehoe

ALSO

Scott Chadwick, Corporation Counsel

PRESENT

Brian Smith, Assessor

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Horan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION

By Esther Clarke

seconded by Barbara Rossi

to go into Executive Session to discuss the following cases:

 Merchant Founders Lodging, LLC v. Town of East Hartford Docket No. HHB-CV-10-6006974S

 860 Main, LLC v. Town of East Hartford Docket No. HHB-CV-13-6020158S

Brenda Rose v. Town of East Hartford, Docket No. CV-11-6023968S

Motion carried 8/0.

MOTION

By Esther Clarke

seconded by Barbara Rossi to go back to Regular Session.

Motion carried 8/0.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION

By Esther Clarke

seconded by Barbara Rossi to adjourn (7:30 p.m.) Motion carried 8/0.

William/I). Horan, /r. Town Council Vice Chair

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EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TOWN CLERK EAST HARTFORD

DECEMBER 10, 2013

PRESENT

Vice Chair William P. Horan, Jr., Majority Leader Barbara-Ann Rossi, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Marc I. Weinberg, Linda A.

Russo, Ram Aberasturia, Patricia Harmon and Anita D. Morrison

ABSENT

Chair Richard F. Kehoe

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Horan called the meeting to order at 7:39 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.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Esther Clarke to amend the agenda as follows:

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add, under New Business, Item 8.D. entitled "Electric Vehicle

Charging Station Incentive Program Grant".

Motion carried 8/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 26, 2013 Executive Session

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Esther Clarke

to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2013 Executive

Session – as corrected on December 4, 2013. Motion carried 7/0. Abstain: Aberasturia

November 26, 2013 Regular Meeting

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Anita Morrison

to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2013 Regular Meeting – as corrected on December 4, 2013. Motion carried 7/0. Abstain: Aberasturia

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Update form the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC)

<u>Bart Halloran</u>, District Counsel for the MDC, <u>William DiBella</u>, Chair of the MDC, and <u>Pasquale</u> "<u>Bud" Salemi</u>, an East Hartford Commissioner on the MDC, spoke on the upcoming rate increase that was recently included in the budget passed on Monday, December 9th. The largest increase is the \$2.1Billion federally-mandated Clean Water Project. Residents and businesses of member towns are responsible for paying this increase, which will raise the quarterly payment by \$49.00, based on a 25-year bond note.

<u>Vice Chair Horan</u> stated that, as the Council liaison, he will continue to update the public and the Council on the progress that the MDC makes in their Clean Water Project, etc., during the upcoming year.

Disposition of Furniture/Desks from the Library

<u>Vice Chair Horan</u> stated that, pursuant to Section 10-3 (c) of the Town of East Hartford Code of Ordinances, Library Director Susan Hansen has reported the disbursement of various furniture items through public auction. A copy of the list is on file in the Town Council office.

Resignation of Anita Morrison from the Insurance Committee

<u>Vice Chair Horan</u> announced the resignation of Anita Morrison from the Insurance Committee.

Certificate of Appreciation: CT Veterans' Day Parade

<u>Vice Chair Horan</u> announced that the East Hartford Town Council has received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Ferris Group for their participation in the November 2013 Annual Connecticut Veterans Parade.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Tentative Agreement between the Town of East Hartford and the East Hartford Supervisors' Union, Local 818, AFSCM, Council 4:</u>

Approval of Agreement:

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Linda Russo

to approve the tentative agreement between the Town of East Hartford and the East Hartford Supervisors Union, Local 818, AFSCM, Council 4, as outlined in and attached to a memo from Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor, dated December 2, 2013 to Richard F. Kehoe, Town Council Chair.

Motion carried 8/0.

Once fully executed, a copy of the contract will follow these minutes.

Supplement Budget Appropriation:

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Esther Clarke to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION CONCERNING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND FUND BALANCE TRANSFER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014 TO FUND THE CONTRACT SETTLEMENT FOR THE 818 SUPERVISOR'S CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Town of East Hartford and the 818 Supervisor's Union have successfully negotiated a successor collective bargaining agreement between the two parties, and

WHEREAS, with respect to the wage portion of the award, the Town must budget for a general wage increase of 2% per year for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, and June 30, 2016.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Hartford Town Council does hereby approve this Supplemental Budget Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$130,000 from the Town's Undesignated Fund Balance and to reflect the addition of the attached Supplemental Revenue Appropriation and Expenditure Appropriation.

G0320-55900	Fund Balance Appropriation	130,000
G2400-60110	Permanent Services - Library	4 ,402
G3200-60110	Permanent Services - Accounts and Controls	6,562
G3300-60110	Permanent Services - Information Technology	5,603
G3600-60110	Permanent Services - Assessor	5,952
G3700-60110	Permanent Services - Tax Office	5,677
G5203-60110	Permanent Services - Police Administration	4,442
G5400-60110	Permanent Services - Communications	17,356
G7200-60110	Permanent Services - Engineering	6,250
G7300-60110	Permanent Services - Public Works - Hghy Srvcs	18,299
G7400-60110	Permanent Services - Public Works - Waste Srvcs	5,330
G7700-60110	Permanent Services - Public Works - Fleet	5,084
G7800-60110	Permanent Services - Building Maintenance	10,484
G8100-60110	Permanent Services - Parks - Administration	5,399
G8200-60110	Permanent Services - Parks - Maintenance	13,837
G9300-60110	Permanent Services - Environmental Control	4,527
G9400-60110	Permanent Services - Social Services	5,397

Funds certified as unobligated and available.

On call of the vote, motion carried 8/0.

Hockanum River Linear Park Trail - Phase III

MOTION By Ram Aberasturia

seconded by Barbara Rossi to adopt the following resolution:

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.

On call of the vote, motion carried 8/0.

Refund of Taxes

MOTION

By Marc Weinberg

seconded by Linda Russo

to refund taxes in the amount of \$1,129.48

pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Motion carried 8/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2012-03-0052392	BARNES DESIREE D	2005//1HGCM56445A163679	\$ (199.09)
2012-03-0061363 2011-03-0062821	FALLETTI NATINA FORD MOTOR CREDIT	2005//1YVHP80D755M29415 2002//1FDWE45F32HB53083	\$ (107.29) \$ (350.02)
2012-03-0065991 2012-03-0066587	HERNANDEZ-COLLAZO SOVIHA HONDA LEASE TRUST	1998//JF1SF6550WH750514 2010//1HGCS2B82AA005431	\$ (42.98) \$ (314.34)
2007-03-0069039	JOHNSON JAMES L	2000//JHLRD1860YC040084	\$ (6.64)
2011-03-0087182	VANSOEST AMY M	2001//4A3AC44G21E191853	\$ (109.12)
		TOTAL	\$(1,129.48)

Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Program Grant

MOTION

By Linda Russo

seconded by Barbara Rossi to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has funding available through Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Program for the installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging stations; and

WHEREAS, funding for the grant comes from provisions of the April 2012 settlement agreement with the State of Connecticut that allowed for the merger of Northeast Utilities and NStar; and

WHEREAS, the growing use of electric vehicles offers the promise of cutting costs for motorists but also improving our environment and public health.

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 Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection as they pertain to this Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Program.

On call of the vote, motion carried 8/0.

The new Grants Administrator, Paul O'Sullivan, introduced himself to the Town Council, who welcomed him and wished him well.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

Pat Harmon (1) inquired on the necessity of the fence by the walking trail near Riverpoint Condominiums. Tim Bockus indicated that the fencing was part of the timber bulkhead replacement project and should be removed in the next couple of weeks. (2) stated that there are piles of construction materials for the solar panels project at the Norris School parking lot and wanted to know what was happening with that. Tim Bockus said that the construction project is under the guidance of Al Costa, Facilities Manager for the Board of Education, but believes that the project is moving along on schedule. (3) noticed that the East Hartford Middle School has a pile of used furniture for sale and asked if the schools have a regulation that is similar to the town's ordinance that must be complied with for the disposition of furniture and equipment. The Mayor said that she would contact the Board of Education for an answer. (3) thanked the Public Works Department for keeping the streets safe and passable in today's storm and also commented on a job well done for leaf collection.

Anita Morrison (1) asked if the Mayor will be updating the Council on the progress of the Raymond Library renovations and inquired on a re-opening date for the Library. Mayor Leclerc stated that the timeline for completion is March 2015; the contractor understands that failure to meet this deadline will result in liquidated damages (2) heard that the north end Senior Center—near Anna Norris School — was closing due to finances and asked if that was true. Mayor Leclerc stated that there has been no discussion about closing the north end Senior Center. and (3) thanked the efforts of the East Hartford Police Department for the "Stuff the Cruiser" event held at ShopRite and Stop & Shop Supermarkets on the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

<u>Barbara Rossi</u> thanked Tim Bockus, Public Works Director, for the solar stop sign recently installed at the corner of Maple and Forbes Streets.

Esther Clarke (1) asked if there have been any complaints from neighbors in the area of the newly installed solar stop sign. *Tim Bockus said there have been no complaints*. and (2)thanked the Mayor for her response on the newly opened massage parlors in East Hartford and added that there is another parlor that has opened on Connecticut Boulevard. *The Mayor said she and her staff were not aware of it, but will look into it.*

<u>Bill Horan</u> recognized Anita Morrison's service to the town by volunteering on the Insurance Committee, from which she just resigned due to her election to the Council.

COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Merchant Founders Lodging, LLC v. Town of East Hartford

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Linda Russo

to accept the Corporation Counsel's recommendation to settle the pending real property tax appeal known as Merchant Founders

Lodging, LLC v. Town of East Hartford, Docket No. HHB-CV-10-6006974S, involving 351 Pitkin Street, from the fair market value of \$9,676,130 to the fair

market value of \$9,574,400, which shall generate a reduction of \$2,407.58 in property taxes, for the Grand List Year of 2009 only.

Motion carried 8/0.

860 Main, LLC v. Town of East Hartford

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Linda Russo

to **accept** the Corporation Counsel's recommendation to settle the pending real property tax appeal known as 860 Main, LLC v. Town of East

Hartford, Docket No. HHB-CV-13-6020158S, involving 860 Main Street, from the fair market value of \$1,420.371 to the fair market value of

\$1,285,000, which shall generate a reduction of \$4,160.23 in property taxes,

Commencing the Grand List Year of 2012.

Motion carried 8/0.

Brenda Rose v. Town of East Hartford

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Esther Clarke

to table the matter known as Brenda Rose v. Town of East Hartford,

Docket No. HHD-CV-11-6023968S, for further negotiations.

Motion carried 8/0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Mayor Leclerc (1) announced that there is a parking ban in effect until further notice; (2) stated that Holiday Fest 2013 was a success. This year's new event "Have Your Picture Taken with Santa Underwater" was a big hit and thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for this great idea; (3) the 28th Annual Santa's Visit drew over 280 children to it; (4) reminded all that January 5th is the Annual Brian Aselton Snow Dash; (5) announced that Gregg Donato, a 36 year town employee from the Inspections and Permits Department, is retiring on Thursday, December 12th; (6) was happy to report the hiring of the town's new Chief of Police, Scott Sansom, who will start on January 7th; (7) wanted to recognize Officers Barboza and Sullivan who played Santa Claus and Santa's elf at the New Covenant Church, distributing gifts to children; and (8) wished everyone a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season.

<u>Bill Horan</u> wished the outgoing Chief of Police, Mark Sirois, a good retirement and commented on a job well done.

Ram Aberasturia asked that the Mayor extend an invitation to Chief Sansom to participate in the Aselton Snow Dash.

Marc Weinberg wished people of all faiths a safe and peaceful Holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

By Barbara Rossi

seconded by Pat Harmon to adjourn (9:40 p.m.). Motion carried 8/0.

The Vice Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be January 7, 2014.

Attest

Angela M. Attenello

TOWN COUNCIL CLERK



Office of the Superintendent Memorandum

TO:

John Choquette, Assistant to the Mayor

Town of East Hartford

FROM:

Nathan D. Quesne

Superintendent

DATE:

December 18, 2013

Attached is a memo from Al Costa, Director of Facilities for East Hartford Public Schools, in response to a question directed to your office by Councilor Harmon.

Please feel free to call me if you have further questions.

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Cc: M. Leclerc, Mayor

R. Kehoe, Chair, Town Council Town Council Members





"Schools that are the Pride of our Community"

Nathan D. Quesnel, Superintendent 734 Tolland St., East Hartford, CT 06108

Tel: (860) 622-5951

Albert S. Costa Director of Facilities Fax: (860) 289-0492 www.easthartford.org

December 16, 2013

To:

Nathan D. Quesnel, Superintendent

From: Albert Costa, Director of Facilities

RE:

Call from Mayor's Assistant

I received a call from John Choquette, Assistant to the Mayor regarding a question that Councilor Harmon asked about the Board's policy on disposal of materials.

As I understood it, the question was:

"Why was furniture for sale outside the Middle School? What is the Board's policy with regard to furniture?"

The Board does not sell any furniture, books or equipment by policy. Regarding the placed materials at the Middle School, there were obsolete and damaged materials placed outside the rear of the school which was schedule to be picked up by an organization that recycles old obsolete materials. No furniture was for sale. The furniture that was outside was damaged, broken or not repairable and was removed by Maintenance Staff and brought to a recycling center.

This activity complies with the Board's policy which I have attached for your information.

Albert S. Costa Director of Facilities







CC: File

Business/Non-Instructional Operations

Sales & Disposal of Books, Equipment & Supplies

The following procedures are to be followed in sequence by the administration in the disposal of books, equipment and supplies:

Books

- A complete list of obsolete books shall be prepared by the Division of Instructional Services giving the title, author and publisher, and also state the condition of the books.
- 2. The list shall be circulated to all public schools to determine if any books on the list can be used at other schools or departments.
- 3. A list of the remaining titles shall be circulated to all non-public schools in Town and any titles requested may be supplied.
- The list shall next be shared with the public library and any titles requested may be supplied.
- 5. The Division of Instructional Services may give obsolete books to any civic organization or other organization at no expense to the Board of Education.
- 6. Any remaining books may be placed in storage or turned over to the Town for disposal.

Equipment and Supplies

- 1. A complete list of obsolete equipment and supplies should be prepared by the Division of Business Services giving the item identification number (where applicable), and condition.
- A list shall be circulated to all schools to determine if the equipment or supplies can be used at other schools or departments.
- 3. Schools may trade obsolete equipment for new equipment if the item has been budgeted and has the approval of the Director of Business Services.
- 4. Any remaining equipment and supplies may be placed in storage or turned over to the Town for disposal.

Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes

10-220 Duties of boards of education.

10-240 Control of schools.

10-241 Powers of school districts.

Regulation approved:

February 16, 1982

EAST HARTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

East Hartford, Connecticut

Regulation revised:

March 27, 1984 April 11, 2007

Regulation revised: April

TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DATE:

December 26, 2013

TO:

Richard Kehoe, Chairman

FROM:

Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION: Transfer of Funds for CIP Projets

Attached is a memo from our Grants Administrator, Paul O'Sullivan regarding authorization to transfer funds from the McAuliffe Tennis Court Repairs project to the Replacement of Tennis Court surfaces at the East Hartford High School.

Please place on the Town Council agenda for the January 7, 2014 meeting.

Thank you.

C: Paul O'Sullivan

Eileen Buckheit

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 7th day of January, 2014.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the East Hartford High School Tennis Courts which are coming to the end of their life expectancy and;

WHEREAS, added funding will allow all eight High School courts to be brought into playable condition;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; that Marcia A. Leclerc, Mayor of the Town of East Hartford, is authorized to amend the Town Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the purpose of transferring \$81,500 from the McAuliffe Tennis Court Repairs Project (CIP #2012-301) to the Replacement of Tennis Court Surfaces at East Hartford High School Project (CIP #2014-301), and to execute and approve on behalf of this corporation, any and all documents, contracts, and amendments as may be required by the state Office of Policy and Management as they pertain to these projects and the state Local Capital Improvement Program (LoCIP).

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, 2014.

Angela M. Attenello, Town Council Clerk

Memorandum

To: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc

CC: Director of Finance Michael P. Walsh

Director of Parks and Recreation Ted Fravel Director of Development Eileen Buckheit

From: Grants Manager Paul M. O'Sullivan

Date: 12/24/2013

Re: Transfer of Funds Between CIP Projects

Attached is a draft Town Council resolution requesting authorization to amend the City's Capital Improvement Plan to transfer funds from the McAuliffe Tennis Court Repairs Project (CIP #2012-301) to the Replacement of Tennis Court Surfaces at East Hartford High School Project (CIP #2014-301).

This request results from the discussion at the Capital Improvement Program meeting on Thursday, December 12, 2013. At this meeting, it was determined that the most efficient and effective allocation of funds would be to concentrate on the tennis courts at East Hartford High School. The McAuliffe courts have been in disrepair for many years and the present allocation (\$81,500) is not enough to bring all of these courts into a playable condition. This transfer would provide the funds needed to bring all eight of the High School courts up and running.

I respectfully request that this resolution be included on the Town Council agenda for the January 7th, 2014 meeting.

TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DATE:

December 23, 2013

TO:

Richard Kehoe, Chairman

FROM:

Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION: EPA Brownfields Application

Attached is a memo from our Grants Administrator, Paul O'Sullivan regarding authorization to apply for a grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Assessment Program..

Please place on the Town Council agenda for the January 7, 2014 meeting.

Thank you.

C: Paul O'Sullivan

Eileen Buckheit

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 7th day of January, 2014.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has made funds available for the assessment of environmentally compromised properties, known as Brownfields; and

WHEREAS, these assessments are a necessary step in the remediation and redevelopment of these properties; and

WHEREAS, cleaning up and reinvesting in these properties protects the environment, reduces blight, and takes development pressures off greenspaces and working lands;

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 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as they pertain to this Brownfields Assessment 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 do hereunto set my hand and affix the corporate seal of said Town of East Hartford the day of January, 2014.

Angela M. Attenell	o, Town Council Clerk

Memorandum

To: Mayor Marcia A. Leclerc

CC: Eileen Buckheit

From: Paul O'Sullivan ANDL

Date: 12/18/2013

Re: EPA Brownfields Application

Attached is a draft Town Council resolution requesting authorization to apply for a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Brownfields Assessment Program.

EPA's Brownfields Program is designed to empower states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic redevelopment to work together in a timely manner to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield is a property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. Cleaning up and reinvesting in these properties increases local tax bases, facilitates job growth, utilizes existing infrastructure, takes development pressures off of undeveloped, open land, and both improves and protects the environment.

I respectfully request that this resolution be included on the Town Council agenda for the January 7th, 2014 meeting.