

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

MARCH 8, 2016

SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET

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 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He announced the exit locations in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 29-381, after which the Council joined him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of the 2016-2017 Budget

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Marc Weinberg
to **adopt** the following budget for 2016-2017 in accordance
with Section 6.4(b) of the Town Charter, as follows:
That the Mayor's proposed budget which
resulted in the Town Government Budget of-----\$ 83,093,674
Board of Education Budget of-----\$ 89,266,419
and a Debt Service payment of -----\$ 7,545,079
and a Capital Improvement Budget of----- \$ 1,924,238
for a total budget of -----\$181,829,410
be **amended** as follows:

Account Number	Description	Amount	Comments
G0370-40067	Current Tax Levy	<u>(4,923)</u>	
Subtotal - Revenue Increase (Decrease)		<u><u>(4,923)</u></u>	
G7400-63410	Waste Services - Tipping Fees	30,000	\$2 per ton MIRA increase
G7300-60110	Highway Services	5,105	Grandfathered employee wage scale
G5203-62321	Police - Gasoline	(37,000)	Lower rate per gallon for gasoline
G5320-62321	Fire - Gasoline	(21,000)	Lower rate per gallon for gasoline
G7700-62321	Public Works - Gasoline	(40,000)	Lower rate per gallon for gasoline
G6100-60221	Inspections - Permanent Services	<u>57,972</u>	
Subtotal - Expenditure Increase (Decrease)		<u><u>(4,923)</u></u>	
Net Increase (Decrease) to Mayor's Recommended Budget		<u><u></u></u>	

MOTION By Esther Clarke
seconded by Mike Kurker
to **amend** the motion as follows:

Account #	Description	Amount	Comment
GO370-40068	Prior Year Levy	\$50,000	Adj.by Council
GO370-40131	Interest and Liens	\$50,000	Adj. by Council
GO520-44621	Police private duty charges	\$50,000	Adj.by Council
G0-370-40067	Current Tax Levy	\$1,240,606	
G9990-69999	Board of Education	(\$700,000)	Adj by Council
G3800-61461	Medical Reserve Contribution	(\$3,000,000)	Adj. by Council
G3800-61430	One Plan Pension Contribution	\$3,000,000	Adj. by Council
G2100-60110	Perm.Services (Mayor)	(\$46,131)	+Adj. by Council
G2100-61400	Employee Incentive (Mayor)	(\$25,000)	Adj. by Council
G5324-60110	Permanent Services(Emergency Manager)	(\$56,160)	Adj. by Council
G3500-60100	Elec.Official Renumeration (Treasurer)	(\$4,000)	Adj. by Council
G2950-60110	Permanent Services(Ass't Grant Admin.)	(\$52,583)	Adj. by Council
G2400-62213	Dues & Subs (Library)	(\$4500)	Adj. by Council
G300-63159	Staff Training (IT)	(\$1700)	Adj. by Council
G5203-60110	Permanent Services (Police)	(\$160,032)	Adj. by Council
G5203-63348	Radio Repair (Police)	(\$4000)	Adj. by Council
G5203-63349	Radio Parts (Police)	(\$2500)	Adj. by Council
G5322-62337	Fire alarm (Fire)	(\$3000)	Adj. by Council
G5325-63159	Staff Training (Fire)	(\$20,000)	Adj. by Council
G5400-62219	Education & Training (Pub.Saf)	(\$4,000)	Adj. by Council
G7200-63175	Eng./Architecture Services	(\$5,000)	Adj. by Council
G9811-63222	Lands/Grnd Maint (Beaut Comm)	<u>\$2,000</u>	Adj. by Council
		<u>\$1,240,606</u>	

On call of the vote of the **amendment**, motion **defeated** 3/6. **Yeas:** Clarke, Harmon, Kurker

On call of the vote of the **original** motion, motion carried 6/3. **Nays:** Clarke, Harmon, Kurker

MOTION By Linda Russo
seconded by Ram Aberasturia
that the taxes for the uniform fiscal year 2016-2017 will be due and payable as follows: one half on July 1, 2016 and one half on January 1, 2017, except when the tax due is not in excess of \$400 and then it shall be due and payable in full on July 1, 2016, or when the property tax due is in an amount less than \$5.00, such tax shall be waived pursuant to C.G.S. Section 12-144c.
Motion carried 9/0.

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Marc Weinberg
 to **adopt** the following receipts for the
 2016-2017 uniform fiscal year in accordance
 with Section 6.4(b) of the Town Charter as follows:

Grand List as of October 1, 2015 for:

Real Estate and Personal Property	\$ 2,471,207,889
Motor Vehicles	\$ 264,824,870

Tax Collection Rate 97.9

Mill Rate Setting Generating Taxes of:

Real Estate and Personal Property @ 45.8634	\$ 110,957,898
Motor Vehicles @ 32.0000 (inc. Supple. MV)	\$ 9,096,434
Totaling	\$ 120,054,332

(Local Elderly, Veteran's, Leased Engines Relief)	- 1,025,000
Other Receipts	\$ 62,795,155

Total Revenue	<u>\$ 181,824,487</u>
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Motion carried 9/0.

Resolution Approving the Proposed Special Revenue Program and Budget for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Ram Aberasturia
 to **adopt** the following resolution:

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED:

That the East Hartford Town Council does hereby approve the Mayor's recommendation for the Special Revenue Programs to be conducted during the fiscal year 2016-2017 on a self-supporting basis, and further requires that any new programs to be offered under Special Programs Fund must first be approved by the Town Council. The Council further requires that any excess funds accruing in this account at the end of each fiscal year, as determined by the independent auditors, shall be transferred to the General Fund as revenue in the next succeeding fiscal year.

On call of the vote, motion carried 9/0.

Adoption of the Town of East Hartford's 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

MOTION By Linda Russo
 seconded by Marc Weinberg
 to **adopt** the Town of East Hartford's 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan for
 fiscal years 2016-2017 through 2020-2021 as contained in the Mayor's
 Recommended Budget for Fiscal year 2016-2017.
 Motion carried 9/0.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By Esther Clarke
 seconded by Bill Horan
 to **adjourn** (7:55 p.m.)
 Motion carried 9/0.

Attest _____
Angela Attenello
Town Council Clerk