

*Robert J. Clark*

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TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS/MICROSOFT TEAM TOWN CLERK  
EAST HARTFORD

APRIL 6, 2021

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Minority Leader Esther B. Clarke, Councillors Connor Martin, Angela Parkinson, Awet Tsegai and John Morrison

PRESENT Vice Chair Donald Bell, Jr., Majority Leader Sebrina Wilson and Councillor  
Via Teams Patricia Harmon

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the meeting to order at 7:33p.m. The Chair announced that again, the Council was holding a hybrid meeting; 6 of the Councillors were physically present in Chambers and 3 were attending virtually. He then invited the Council to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### March 16, 2021 Executive Session

MOTION By Sebrina Wilson  
seconded by Connor Martin  
to **approve** the minutes of the March 16, 2021 Executive Session.  
Motion carried 9/0.

#### March 16, 2021 Regular Meeting

MOTION By Sebrina Wilson  
seconded by Connor Martin  
to **approve** the minutes of the March 16, 2021 Regular Meeting.  
Motion carried 9/0.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

#### Habitat for Humanity Presentation: 550 and 590 Burnside Avenue

Chair Kehoe summarized the history of this tract of land near the offices of the East Hartford Housing Authority. On behalf of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA), the town advertised a Request for Proposal on these properties in 2020. Habitat for Humanity was awarded the bid and their proposal for a small, private single-family home development was favorably endorsed by the RDA.



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 DOJ as they pertain to this Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program grant.

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

Setting a Public Hearing Date of Tuesday April 20, 2021 @ 7PM in Council Chambers and via Microsoft "Teams"

MOTION By Sebrina Wilson  
seconded by Awet Tsegai  
to **set** a public hearing date of Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7PM in Council Chambers, via Microsoft Teams, to hear public comment on the following revisions to the town of East Hartford Code of Ordinances:

1. Section 1-16 & Section 14-1. Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day
2. Section 2-3. Mayor's Salary
3. Section 2-3b. Registrars and Deputy Registrars of Voters Salary

Motion carried 9/0.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions:

MOTION By Angie Parkinson  
seconded by John Morrison  
to **approve** the following appointments:

- To the Pension and Retiree Benefits Board –  
Marcus Rice, 141 Mallard Drive; term to expire December 2022
- To the Board of Selectmen –  
Charles K. Botts, III, 131 Jessica Drive; term to expire November 2021

Motion carried 9/0.

Referral to Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee: Deputy Finance Director and Chief Information Security Officer

MOTION By Awet Tsegai  
seconded by Angie Parkinson  
to **refer** to the Personnel & Pensions Subcommittee the job descriptions for the new positions of Deputy Finance Director and Chief Information Security Officer, which were included in the town's budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, with instructions to review the positions and report back to the full Council with its recommendations, if any.  
Motion carried 9/0.

Bid Waiver: East Hartford's Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling Service re: Murphy Road Recycling LLC

MOTION

By Connor Martin

seconded by Angie Parkinson

to **waive** the bidding requirements of Town Ordinances Section 10-7 and **authorize** the Administration, acting through Mayor Leclerc, to enter into a contract with Murphy Road Recycling, LLC, or one of its affiliates, to provide municipal solid waste disposal and recycling services; such waiver being in the best interests of the Town as it will allow the Town to immediately secure a municipal solid waste disposal and recycling services contract at more beneficial terms and rates than those being offered by the Town's current provider, thereby saving the Town in excess of \$100,000 in fiscal year 2021-2022, subject to the following contract terms:

1. The initial term of the contract shall be 3 years.
2. There shall be an option to extend the term of the contract for 2 additional 3-year terms, at tipping fees and on terms acceptable to both parties.
3. The per ton tipping fee for municipal solid waste during the first year of the initial term shall be as set forth below, and during the second and third years shall be the lesser of the below, or the per ton tipping fees charged by the Material Innovation and Recycling Authority:

Waste Stream	7/1/21-6/30/22	7/1/22-6/30/23	7/1/23-6/30/24
Municipal Solid Waste	\$ 98.50	\$103.00	\$108.00

4. The per ton tipping fee for bulky waste during the first year of the initial term shall be as set forth below, and during the second and third years shall be the greater of the below, or: (a) an amount equal to the per ton fee charged by the Town of Manchester for bulky waste; or (b) the per ton fee charged by Material Innovation and Recycling Authority for bulky waste, BUT ONLY if such per ton fee is less than the fee charged by the Town of Manchester:

Waste Stream	7/1/21-6/30/22	7/1/22-6/30/23	7/1/23-6/30/24
Bulky Waste	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

5. There shall be no fee charged for receipt and disposal of delivered and accepted Recyclables during the initial term.
6. The fee for delivered and rejected waste and recyclables shall be \$115.00 per ton.
7. Per ton fees may be further adjusted by agreement of the parties for new assessments, taxes or charges as a result of a change in laws.
8. The terms and form of the final contract shall be approved by the Mayor and Public Works Director as being in the best interests of the Town as to the disposal of municipal solid waste, bulky waste and recyclables.
9. The Office of the Corporation Counsel shall approve the contract as to its legal form.
10. The Mayor shall provide the Town Council with a copy of the executed contract.

Motion carried 9/0.

## Refund of Taxes

MOTION By Connor Martin  
seconded by Awet Tsegai  
to **refund** taxes in the amount of \$ 210,798.11  
pursuant to Section 12-129 of the Connecticut General Statutes.  
Motion carried 9/0.

Bill	Name	Prop Loc/Vehicle Info.	Over Paid
2019-01-0010980	580 TOLLAND STREET LLC	580 TOLLAND ST	-6421.46
2018-03-0050145	ACAR LEASING LTD	2016/1G6AJ5SXXG0106087	-146.80
2019-03-0050164	ACAR LEASING LTD	2017/2GKFLUEK4H6148999	-426.52
2019-03-0050169	ACAR LEASING LTD	2017/1G1RC6S53HU204833	-43.32
2019-03-0051119	ALSTON HOWARD	2013/WDDGF8AB5DR260400	-204.78
2019-01-0000716	AZINHEIRA NELSON M	17-19 ECHO LN	-3443.23
2019-01-0014822	BREAUDREAU SEAN E	58 ADAMS ST	-2157.79
2019-03-0053445	BERNARD CLAUDINE	2010/5TDJY5G15AS035124	-626.88
2019-03-0054613	BROWN GARFIELD W	2005/5TBDT44125S479652	-355.56
2018-01-0000005	CORELOGIC CNTRLZD RFUND	111-121 ROBERTS ST	-87661.35
2019-01-0000005	CORELOGIC CNTRLZD RFUND	111-121 ROBERTS ST	-89107.20
2019-03-0057996	CORTES MADELINE	2009/4T1BE46KX9U375650	-223.29
2019-03-0058078	COTE RONALD R JR	2006/WMWRC33526TK15729	-94.50
2019-04-0081632	CRUZ ADA L	2007/1G1ZS68N67F276834	-59.40
2019-01-0003966	DIONNE NORMAND J & KAREN R	405-407 HIGH ST	-32.85
2019-03-0062152	FELICIANO-GONZALEZ ZULIANA F	2005/JTLKT334450178411	-17.50
2019-03-0062153	FELICIANO-GONZALEZ ZULIANA F	2007/JM1CR29L170143951	-10.08
2019-04-0082575	FINNIGAN FRANK W	2002/1J4GW48S82C254836	-8.87
2019-01-0010333	GIULIETTI JESSICA Y	20-22 FRANCIS ST	-3101.94
2019-02-0043745	GUASTAMACHIO ROBERT	8 HIGHLAND ST	-301.02
2019-01-0006501	HARTL WILLIAM & DOROTHY	772 FORBES ST	-643.60
2019-04-0083256	HAYWARD ZACHARIAH M	2003/1GCDT19X538212879	-36.99
2019-03-0066502	HICKS THOMAS L	2007/JF1GG63627G807267	-6.21
2019-03-0066866	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2016/5J6RM4H51GL098252	-94.18
2019-03-0066903	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2016/2HGFC1F47GH645673	-515.26
2019-03-0066919	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2017/19XFC2F73HE213965	-129.60
2019-03-0066920	HONDA LEASE TRUST	2017/1HGCR2F5XHA215524	-192.69
2019-03-0067482	HYUNDAI LEASE TITL TRUST	2017/3KPFK4A73HE031107	-207.54

2019-04-0084184	LE TAN	2020/4T1G11AK1LU959658	-5.00
2019-01-0013811	LERETA LLC: CNTRL RFNDS	7 DOBSON DR	-2405.15
2018-01-0012006	LERETA LLC: CNTRL RFNDS	11 GREEN MANOR DR	-258.00
2019-03-0071158	LINDSAY GAIL A	2018/4T1B11HK0JU114247	-312.75
2019-01-0011567	LONGO TODD	49 ARAWAK DR	-287.79
2019-03-0072313	MARHOLIN ELAINE G	2014/2C4RC1CG0ER417905	-234.68
2019-03-0072895	MATHIAU GARY A	2014/1GCVKREC7EZ181074	-106.20
2019-03-0074830	MORGAN MARY L	2016/5N1AT2MV1GC875637	-65.48
2019-03-0076019	NISSAN INFINITI LT	2017/KNMAT2MV8HP615573	-423.95
2019-03-0076145	NISSAN INFINITI LT	2017/1N4AA6AP2HC431097	-145.66
2019-03-0076198	NOEL CAROL P	2019/2T3P1RFV6KW059510	-326.03
2003-03-0077870	ORTIZ CHRIS	2001/ KMHCG45C61U179797	-743.00
2019-04-0085572	PENSKE LEASING & RENTAL	2020/3AKJHPDV0LSMD7584	-3361.68
2019-04-0085573	PENSKE LEASING & RENTAL	2020/3AKJHPDV2LSMD7585	-2480.94
2018-03-0077441	PENSKE LEASING & RENTAL	2015/3AKJGED52FDGR0977	-1272.60
2019-03-0081020	RODRIGUE ROGER J	2015/2G61W5S83F9127250	-393.54
2019-03-0081378	RODRIGUEZ WINILFREDO	2015/1HGCT1B7XFA014741	-44.00
2019-01-0001803	RUIZ YOHANNA	64 CHEYENNE RD	-57.97
2019-03-0083069	SAYERS BERNARD M	2014/JYAVP32E3EA005332	-6.20
2019-03-0083070	SAYERS BERNARD M	2018/4S4BSANC8J3344814	-12.63
2019-03-0083072	SAYERS BERNARD M	2019/1GCGTCEN9K1151864	-13.92
2019-03-0083390	SENETHEP SOUTHANOU	2002/WBAEW534X2PG09025	-117.45
2019-03-0083391	SENETHEP SOUTHANOU	2013/JF1ZNAA15D1733169	-334.80
2019-03-0083392	SENETHEP SOUTHANOU	2001/1J4FA49S01P365381	-214.20
2019-03-0083388	SENETHEP LAMPHONE	2018/ 4T1B11HK9JU609594	-312.75
2019-03-0083389	SENETHEP LAMPHONE	2008/5UXFE43528L006952	-230.15
2019-03-0085876	THOMPSON DERVON A	2014/4T1BK1FK9EU552576	-5.97
2017-03-0086410	TORRES OSVALDO	2005/JN8AZ08W95W442108	-210.15
2019-03-0089400	WILSON DALTON L	2012/3GTP2VE77CG202670	-110.32
2019-03-0089764	YARDE RUSSEL M	2006/5N1AR18W06C631830	-34.74
TOTAL			<u>\$ (210,798.11)</u>

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNCILLORS TO DIRECT QUESTIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

Esther Clarke inquired if the town owned any of the property at the corner of Chester and Forbes Streets. *The Mayor stated that the town does actually own a strip of land that fronts along Forbes Street.*

## COUNCIL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

Empire East, LLC v. Town of East Hartford, HHB-CV-20-6061188-S, involving real property located at 14 George Street.

MOTION      By Sebrina Wilson  
                 seconded by Connor Martin  
                 to **accept** the recommendation of Corporation Counsel to settle the pending assessment (tax) appeal known as Empire East, LLC. v. Town of East Hartford, Docket Number. HHB-CV-20-6061188-S, involving real property located at 14 George Street, from the fair market value of \$796,280.00 to the fair market value of \$625,000 which shall generate a reduction of \$5,985.00 in property taxes, for the Grand List Year of 2019.  
                 Motion carried 9/0.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO SPEAK

Craig Stevenson, Chair of the Economic Development Commission and Redevelopment Agency member, supports the design of cluster housing for the 10-lot subdivision on Burnside Avenue that Habitat for Humanity is preparing to develop.

Chair Kehoe is hopeful that Habitat for Humanity will come up with an alternative plan for the land on Burnside Avenue, rather than cluster housing, which would entail a homeowners' association.


Mayor Leclerc commented on: (1) the Library will hold a Youth Summer Career Workshop in conjunction with East Hartford Connects and Liberty Bank and the town of East Hartford's Youth Services; (2) renters' rebate signup started April 1<sup>st</sup> and will run through October 1<sup>st</sup>; (3) the Development Department is offering a Tic-Tac-Toe Business Contest intended to support local businesses; (4) FoodShare will continue to distribute food through April 21<sup>st</sup>; (5) FEMA has established a funeral assistance program for anyone who has lost a loved one to Covid-19; (6) the town's Sf-Fi program is advancing with the support of Connecticut Innovations; (7) thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for a really great Easter Egg Hunt; and (8) free Covid-19 testing will continue in the parking lot at Town Hall with our partners at First Choice.

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION      By Esther Clarke  
                 seconded by Don Bell  
                 to **adjourn** (9:27 p.m.).  
                 Motion carried 9/0.

The Chair announced that the next meeting of the Town Council would be April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Attest

  
Angela M. Attenello  
TOWN COUNCIL CLERK