

EAST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

MICROSOFT "TEAMS"

May 4, 2023

EAST HARTFORD FARMERS MARKET- ACCEPTING OF SNAP BENEFITS

PRESENT Chair Richard F. Kehoe, Vice Chair Donald Bell, Jr. Majority Leader Sebrina Wilson, Minority Leader John Morrison, Councillors Angela Parkinson, Awet Tsegai, Thomas Rup, and Travis Simpson.

ABSENT Councillor Harry Amadasun, Jr

ALSO Laurence Burnsed, Director of Health and Human Services  
PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kehoe called the Special Meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

The Chair stated that the purpose of this meeting is to allow the Town to apply with the US Department of Agriculture to allow the East Hartford Farmer's Market the ability to accept SNAP benefits.

Director Burnsed stated that applying for the market to become a SNAP vendor is the first step in the process. Once the Town receives this permission, applications for additional benefits including a 1-1 match on customer purchases that was approved by Council at the May 2 Regular Meeting can be submitted. The review process with USDA takes roughly 3-6 weeks, so there is a need to act quickly.

East Hartford Farmers' Market- Accepting of SNAP Benefits

MOTION By Tom Rup  
seconded by John Morrison

to authorize the Town of East Hartford to apply with the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services (USDA FNS) to enroll the East Hartford Farmers' Market as a site that accepts SNAP benefits for purchases.

Motion carried 8/0

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION By John Morrison  
seconded by Don Bell

to **adjourn** at 6:10 pm

Motion carried 8/0.

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Marshall  
Town Council Clerk