

# Court of Common Council



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July 9, 2013

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, July 8, 2013, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**Whereas**, ArtSpace Hartford Limited Partnership (ArtSpace) is the owner of a multi-family apartment complex located at 555 Asylum Street in the Asylum Hill Neighborhood just west of Downtown, and

**Whereas**, The complex at 555 Asylum Street provides 46 affordable one, two and three-bedroom apartments that meet the needs of artists and online media professionals, programmers, entrepreneurs, and others who seek an attractive environment with generous space to live and work, and

**Whereas**, ArtSpace had a 15 year Tax Abatement Agreement on the property that expired in 2012 and has requested an additional abatement in order to maintain the units at affordable rents, and

**Whereas**, The staff of Development Services, Housing and Property Management Division, has negotiated terms for the Tax Abatement Agreement that will guarantee the continued affordability of the units, will pay full taxes for one year prior to the inception of the new Tax Abatement Agreement, and will maintain the current level of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) to the City, and

**Whereas**, The City's Tax Abatement Committee has approved the proposed Tax Abatement Agreement for ArtSpace multi-family apartment complex, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Tax Abatement Agreement with ArtSpace Hartford Limited Partnership, or a related entity established for the purpose, subject to the following conditions:

- The term shall not exceed 25 years,
- There shall be payment of one full year of taxes paid prior to the commencement of the abatement,

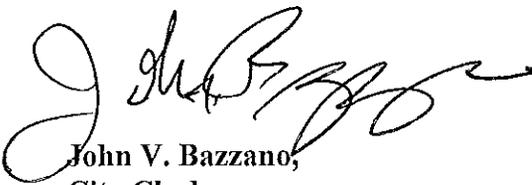
- PILOT payments will remain at \$700/unit,
- PILOT shall increase by 2%/year in years where Grand Levy increases,
- PILOT shall decrease by 1%/year in years where Grand Levy decreases,
- Improvements shall be completed within 3 years of acquisition,
- Units shall remain affordable for the duration of the tax abatement period,
- Original amenities shall be maintained and/or improved, and
- Upon any future sale or refinance, payment shall be made to the City of 10% of the net sales proceeds, or equity recapture, not to exceed the total of abated taxes, and be it further

**Resolved,** That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction, and be it further

**Resolved,** That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

**Resolved,** That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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**Whereas,** The Ethics Commission is charged with fostering the highest standards of personal integrity, truthfulness, honesty, and fairness, and avoidance of improprieties by public servants, through enforcement of the City's Code of Ethics, and

**Whereas,** The Mayor has appointed Daniel A. Yaffe as a member of the Commission, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved,** That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the following appointment to the Ethics Commission:

Daniel A. Yaffe (U) 915 Main Street, Apt. 210  
Appointed to a term expiring January 9, 2016  
(Replacing Arnaldo J. Sierra)

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, July 8, 2013, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**Whereas**, The Summer Food Service Program, operated by the Connecticut Department of Education with funds provided by the United States Department of Agriculture, provides meals for children and youth during the summer months when school breakfast and lunch programs are unavailable, and

**Whereas**, The Department of Education has invited the City of Hartford to apply for a grant of approximately \$335,400 for Hartford's 2013 summer food program, and

**Whereas**, The City has operated a summer meals program for 19 years and Hartford youth remain in need of this supplemental nutrition program, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, That the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to apply for and accept a Summer Food Service Program grant from the Connecticut Department of Education in the amount of approximately \$335,400, and be it further

**Resolved**, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes, and be it further

**Resolved**, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, and be it further

**Resolved**, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

**Resolved,** That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, July 8, 2013, the following SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION was passed.

**Whereas**, The City of Hartford, with a sizeable senior population, provides a variety of educational, recreational, nutritional and social services to promote healthy lifestyle among residents aged 55 years and older through its senior centers, and

**Whereas**, The senior centers serve as multi-purpose facilities where seniors can participate in diverse cultural activities and receive a host of services weekdays between 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., and

**Whereas**, The South End Wellness Senior Center (SEWSC), located at 830 Maple Avenue, provides social activities, referral services, eligibility screenings for state and federal programs, lunch, advocacy, fall prevention, health screenings, and other wellness activities to Hartford's seniors, and

**Whereas**, Catholic Charities was selected as the operator of the South End Wellness Senior Center through a Request for Proposals process in June of 2012 and a one year contract was executed in the amount of \$255,083, and

**Whereas**, The Hartford Department of Health & Human Services desires to extend the contract with Catholic Charities for an additional three years, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, That the Court of Common Council does hereby authorize the City of Hartford through its Department of Health and Human Services to extend the current contract with Catholic Charities for the operation of the South End Wellness Senior Center for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 with two options to renew for one year each, contingent upon the availability of funding each year, and be it further

**Resolved**, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem

appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction, and be it further

**Resolved,** That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

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**Whereas**, The United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance awards grants to municipalities to enhance law enforcement operations, and

**Whereas**, The Hartford Police Department qualifies for a formula allocation grant in the amount of \$200,220 from the FY 2013 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, and

**Whereas**, The JAG Program provides funding to state and local jurisdictions to support a range of program areas related to the prevention and reduction of crime and violence, and

**Whereas**, The Police Department will use these funds to provide a greater police presence, cover staff vacancies, conduct criminal investigations, and provide targeted enforcement against criminal activity, all of which activities typically require overtime, and

**Whereas**, To reduce the impact on the General Fund budget the JAG grant funds received will be used to supplement the allocation of overtime in the Police Department, now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, That the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to apply for and accept grant funding in the amount of \$200,220 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance through the FY 2013 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, and be it further

**Resolved**, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes, and be it further

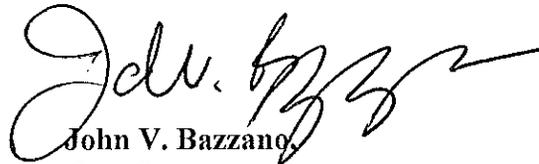
**Resolved**, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem

appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, and be it further

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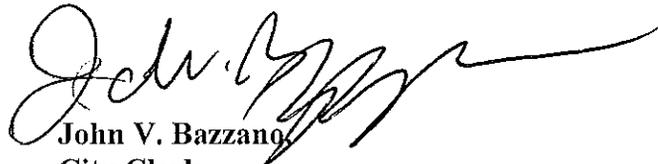
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**Resolved,** Pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter, the Court of Common Council hereby approves settlement of the claim of Connecticut Parking Services, Inc. for the amount of \$6,000.00 and a lease agreement for premises at 1214 Main Street, and be it further

**Resolved,** That the Mayor will submit a resolution, for consideration by the Court of Common Council, that outlines the proposed terms of said lease.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, July 8, 2013, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**Whereas,** The West Indian Social Club has been in existence in Hartford since 1950, and is currently located at 3340 Main Street; and

**Whereas,** This year is the 51<sup>st</sup> West Indian Celebration Week in the City of Hartford; and

**Whereas,** The West Indian Celebration Week will occur August 3, 2013 through August 10, 2013, and

**Whereas,** During this week of celebration the West Indian Social Club hosts some of its event outdoors on property owned by the West Indian Social Club, and

**Whereas,** The West Indian Social Club would like to continue this tradition; now therefore, be it

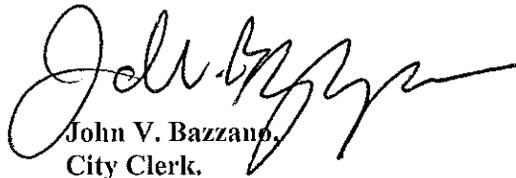
**Resolved,** That the Court of Common Council authorize the West Indian Social Club to utilize the outdoor sound system on the following dates and times to further enhance its recognition and celebrations during West Indian Celebration Week in the City of Hartford:

- Tuesday, August 6, 2013 from 9:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 9, 2013 from 9:00 p.m. -1:00 a.m. and
- Saturday August 10, 2013 from 9:00 p.m. -1:00 a.m., and be it further

**Resolved,** That the outdoor sound system speakers shall be pointed toward the East subject to the permit from the Hartford Police Department, and be it further

**Resolved,** That this resolution applies only to the West Indian Social Club located at 3340 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut and all other business, homes, residential units, and vendors are subject to the noise ordinance without exception.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, July 8, 2013, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**Whereas**, There is on file in the Office of the Town and City Clerk, and in the Office of the Tax Collector, a detailed listing of certain Personal Property taxes that are due to the City of Hartford and which have not been paid, and

**Whereas**, The Tax Collector is required, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes 12-165, at least annually, to certify as to the doubtful collection of taxes that have remained unpaid for some time, and

**Whereas**, The Tax Collector has been unable to collect these taxes, which arise from the Grand List of 2005, despite making demand for payment upon the taxpayer at the last known address on record, and

**Whereas**, These accounts will be referred to a collection agency for further collection effort and the Tax Collector may pursue collection of these taxes in the future, should new information be discovered that could aid in enforcement or if new location information is discovered regarding the taxpayer's whereabouts, and

**Whereas**, Nothing herein contained shall be construed as an abatement of any tax transferred to the "suspense book", but any such tax, as it shall have been increased by interest or penalty, fees and charges, may still be collected, as provided by law, and

**Whereas**, The following is the total outstanding tax liability and years of levy in accordance with the above mentioned Collector's file, as set forth in the certification:

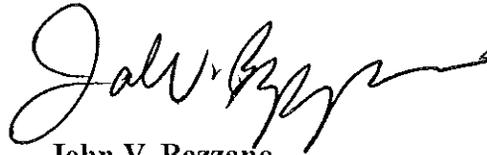
Property Type	Grand List(s)	Taxes Owed
Personal Property Taxes	2005	\$1,079,893.90

and the total amount to be moved to the Suspense Book is \$1,079,893.90, and

**Whereas,** Approval of the transfers is required before the end of the fiscal year; now therefore be it

**Resolved,** That the aggregate sum of \$1,079,893.90 in outstanding Personal Property taxes as of June, 2013, and the same hereby is, transferred to the Municipal Suspense Tax Book in accordance with Section 12-165 of the State of Connecticut General Statutes.

**Attest:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John V. Bazzano", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**John V. Bazzano,  
City Clerk.**