



# CITY OF HARTFORD

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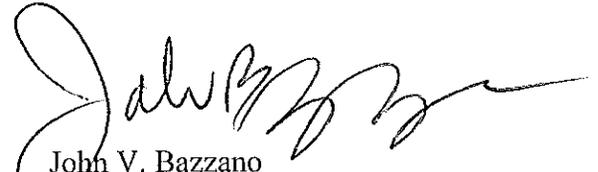
JOHN V. BAZZANO  
TOWN & CITY CLERK  
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

November 14, 2014

Honorable Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor

Dear Mayor Segarra:

Please find attached the following resolutions that were passed at a regular meeting of the Court of Common Council on November 12, 2014. I have duly certified these documents and respectfully send it to you for your review.

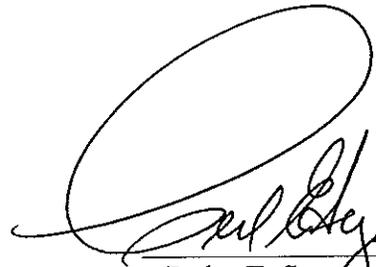
  
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### RESOLUTIONS

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### ORDINANCES

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Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor  
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# Court of Common Council

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November 13, 2014

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 12, 2014, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The City is renovating the North Hartford Senior Center using Capital Improvement Program funds; and

**WHEREAS**, The State Bond Commission has authorized a grant-in-aid of \$100,000 to be used for renovation and improvements to the North Hartford Senior Center; and

**WHEREAS**, The grant-in-aid will be administered by the Connecticut Department of Social Services; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept a \$100,000 grant-in-aid from the Connecticut Department of Social Services; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the grant shall be used for capital improvements, including lighting upgrades, a sprinkler system (required to meet building and fire safety codes), and bathroom upgrades and handicapped accessible entry and exit doors (required by ADA); 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 Mayor Pedro E. Segarra, 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; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That City of Hartford hereby affirms as its policy to support the Non-Discrimination Agreements and Warranties required under Connecticut General Statute § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142, as those statutes may be amended from time to time.

**Attest:**



**John V. Bazzano**  
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**WHEREAS**, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has issued a request for applications for designation of a Promise Zone, an initiative seeking to revitalize underserved communities by creating jobs, increasing economic activity, improving educational opportunities, reducing serious crime, leveraging private capital, and assisting local leaders in navigating federal programs; and

**WHEREAS**, A Promise Zone designation does not involve new direct funding, but does provide cities with preferential access to competitive grants from federal departments such as Housing & Urban Development, Education, Health & Human Services, Justice, and Labor, federal technical support, and a capacity building team from AmeriCorps; and

**WHEREAS**, A Promise Zone must meet four criteria: 1) encompass one or more contiguous census tracts, 2) have an overall poverty rate or extremely-low-income rate of 33% or higher, 3) have a population of at least 10,000, and 4) have local leadership that demonstrate commitment to the Promise Zone effort; and

**WHEREAS**, The proposed North Hartford Promise Zone, comprised of the neighborhoods of Clay Arsenal, Northeast, and Upper Albany (census tracts 5009, 5012, 5013, 5014, 5015, 5017, 5018, 5035, 5037 and 5244) meets the above criteria and will significantly benefit from increased federal investment; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Hartford Court of Common Council does hereby authorize Mayor Pedro E. Segarra to apply for Promise Zone designation and to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with community partners that implements and supports strategies in health & wellness, education, public safety, housing, and economic opportunity; 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, November 12, 2014, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The City of Hartford maintains play-swings at many City parks for the use and enjoyment of children and families; and

**WHEREAS**, The City strives to make its recreational facilities and amenities accessible for use by persons with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Unitex, a family-owned and Hartford-based company has offered the City a gift of a swing that may be used by all children, including those with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, The swing is compliant with American with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, has a fair market value of approximately \$500, and will be installed by Unitex at no charge to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor and Council are very appreciative of the donation of the swing by Unitex; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the gift of a swing for placement at a park to be determined by the Department of Public Works; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Mayor is hereby 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 interest 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 agreement or other documents, or to take any of the other 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

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 12, 2014, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The Tree Advisory Commission was established to advise the City Forester, the Court of Common Council, and the Mayor on tree-related issues and to promote awareness of tree care, Hartford's arboreal heritage and the benefits of an urban forest; and

**WHEREAS**, The Commission is charged with creating a Master Tree Plan, issuing an annual "State of the Forest" report, establishing a Legacy Tree Program, and hearing and deciding appeals from decisions on tree removal, damage, or alteration made by the City Forester; and

**WHEREAS**, The Commission is composed of five ex-officio members and five members appointed by the Mayor who serve three-year staggered terms; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Pedro E. Segarra has appointed Jack Hale, Francisco Gomes, and Charmaine Craig to the Tree Advisory Commission; now, therefore, be it

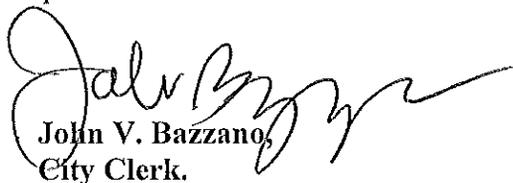
**RESOLVED**, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Tree Advisory Commission:

Jack Hale (D) 25 Carmel Street, Hartford, 06106  
for a term to expire in 2017

Charmaine Craig (D) 171 Sherbrooke Avenue, Hartford, 06106  
for a term to expire in 2016

Francisco Gomes (D) 127 Beacon Street, Hartford, 06105  
for a term to expire in 2015.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 12, 2014, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The Advisory Commission on Food Policy was established for the purpose of integrating all agencies in Hartford in a common effort to improve the availability of safe and nutritious food at reasonable prices for all residents, especially those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, The Commission is composed of fifteen members who serve three-year staggered terms; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Pedro E. Segarra has appointed Tevonne T. Ellis, Richard M. Lotstein, and Mary J. Cockram to the Commission; now, therefore, be it

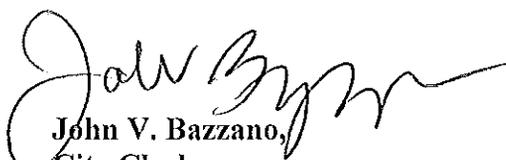
**RESOLVED**, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the appointments to the Advisory Commission on Food Policy of

Tevonne T. Ellis (UA) 55 Fairmount Street, Hartford, 06120  
appointed to a term expiring on April 13, 2016  
(Replacing Gloria McAdam)

Richard M. Lotstein (D) 20 Charter Oak Place, Hartford, 06106  
appointed to a term expiring on April 13, 2015  
(Replacing Michael McGarry)

Mary J. Cockram (UA) 16 Columbia Street, Hartford, 06106  
appointed to a term expiring on April 13, 2017  
(Replacing Michael Reid)

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 12, 2014, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, Serious problems occurred in the City's administration of the General Election on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, which problems may have adversely affected the ability of Hartford residents to cast their votes, and

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor and the Court of Common Council are committed to the principle that voting is a paramount right of Hartford citizens, and

**WHEREAS**, It is essential that the City of Hartford determine the causes of 2014 Election Day problems by implementing a process that is separate from but complementary to investigations that may be carried out by the State Elections Enforcement Commission and the State's Attorney, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That, pursuant to Chapter IV Section 3(b) of the Hartford City Charter, the Council hereby creates a Committee of Inquiry to investigate [the Registrars of Voters and their operation of Election Day 2014, to report to the Mayor and Council on their findings, and to make recommendations concerning the City of Hartford's election administration] impediments to casting ballots in the 2014 general election, any inaccuracies or delays in reporting of the vote count, and any other issue with regard to the City's administration of the 2014 general election voting process that it determines warrants examination, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Committee of Inquiry shall be a special committee pursuant to Council Rule IX and shall meet at the call of its co-chairs and, as a special committee, it shall be subject only to the requirements of the General Statutes with regard to notice of its meetings, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That, pursuant to Chapter IV, Section 3(b) of the Charter of the City of Hartford, the Council hereby authorizes the Committee to compel the attendance of witnesses and require the production of books and papers and any subpoena authorized by a vote of a majority of the Committee may be signed on its behalf by its legal counsel or either of its co-chairs, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Committee shall be Majority Leader Alexander Aponte, Minority Leader Joel Cruz, Jr., Councilman Raúl De Jesús Jr., Councilwoman Cynthia R. Jennings, and Councilman David MacDonald, and that the Council President shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Committee, and be it further

RESOLVED, That Majority Leader Aponte and Minority Leader Cruz shall be the co-chairs of the Committee and only members of the Committee shall participate in the Committee's discussions, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the council gratefully accepts the offers of pro bono legal assistance from Day Pitney LLP and Shipman & Goodwin LLP and designates James H. Rotondo of Day Pitney and Ross H. Garber of Shipman & Goodwin as counsel to the Committee, which counsel may be assisted in their roles by such other personnel of their law firms as they deem appropriate, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Committee shall conclude its work and report its findings to the Council no later than December 31, 2014, at which point the committee shall terminate, provided, however, that the Committee may submit, to the Council President, requests for extensions, which he may grant at his sole discretion.

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**WHEREAS**, Issues with regard to the Registrars of Voters Office and the administration of elections in Hartford have been considered and addressed by the Mayor and Court of Common Council over the past several years, but have not yet been resolved; and

**WHEREAS**, The 2012-13 Charter Revision Commission considered these issues and made recommendations for changes to the City's election administration, including affording the Council the ability to determine the number of Registrars and to provide for the appointment of Registrars; and

**WHEREAS**, The Charter Revision Commission also recommended requiring that the Office of Registrars of Voters adhere to nationally accepted professional standards and best practices and requiring that Registrars and staff obtain professional certification in local election administration; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Council's Operations, Management, Budget & Legislative Affairs Committee will consider the results of all reviews and investigations of election administration on November 4, 2014 and, in concert with the Mayor and Hartford's State Legislative Delegation, make recommendations to the Council for action; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, Such recommendations shall include all legislative actions, included, but not limited to, revision of the City Charter, State Legislation, and City Ordinances, that are appropriate and necessary to implement such actions.

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