

# Court of Common Council

CITY OF HARTFORD  
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HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



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December 14, 2009

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Greater Hartford Transit District (GHTD) receives funding from the Connecticut Department of Transportation to provide for the undertaking of a mass transit operating assistance project; and

WHEREAS, The GHTD will provide financial assistance to the City of Hartford in the form of an Operating Assistance Grant, in the amount not to exceed 50 percent of the Eligible Projects Operating Expenses; and

WHEREAS, The funds from this grant, in the approximate amount of \$136,668.18, will be used to reimburse the City's General Fund allocation for the operation of the 2009-2010 Dial-A-Ride Transportation Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, through the Department of Health & Human Services Department, to accept and receive the Operating Assistance Grant in the approximate amount of \$136,668.18; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve in behalf of the City of Hartford, any and all contracts, sub-contracts and amendments until otherwise ordered by the appropriate authority; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor or the Mayor's designee is hereby further 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 contract 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 lease agreement and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

Attest:

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WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut under Public Act 19a-202 and amended by PA 98 250 has made funds available for full-time Health Departments for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, These funds provide monetary assistance based on population of those local governments to permit the addition of new prevention programs or the extension of existing programs; and

WHEREAS, The Per Capita grant has allowed the continued support of health department programs and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Previously per capita funds have been used to provide additional epidemiological support, community health education initiatives, medical supplies, larviciding, and surveillance for mosquito control activities and other department supplies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Court of Common Council do hereby authorize the acceptance and receipt of said funding from the Department of Public Health to provide various public health services from the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve in behalf of the City of Hartford, any and all contracts, sub-contracts and amendments until otherwise ordered by the appropriate authority; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor or the Mayor's designee 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 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 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 Mayor executing such agreement and 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, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Asylum Hill Congregational Church is sponsoring the "Sigourney Square Family Festival of Asylum Hill" in Sigourney Square Park on August 22, 2009 (rain date August 23, 2009) from 1:00pm to 7:30pm; and

WHEREAS, The event sponsor is requesting a waiver of one half of the applicable City fees associated with the event; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provides in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the city's costs and fees associated with an event; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the event the Sponsor is required to obtain the proper insurance certificate, which holds the city harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council's waiver of fees, if any, will be consistent with the recommendation of the Public Works, Parks and Environment committee.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Barbara Findlay will be having a birthday party at the Keney Park Pond House on February 1, 2010 from 6:00pm to midnight; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Findlay wishes to serve alcohol at this party; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Findlay shall present proof of the proper insurance to the Risk Manager of the City of Hartford; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants permission to Ms. Findlay to serve alcohol at her event.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Hartford Marathon Foundation is sponsoring the "Freedom Run to Benefit the Connecticut National Guard" on November 14, 2009 from 9:00am to 10:00am; and

WHEREAS, The event sponsor is requesting a 50% fee waiver and a closure of the right lanes of traffic along the following route: start at the State Armory, right on Broad Street, right on Farmington Avenue, merging on to Asylum Avenue, Right on Ford Street, left on to Jewell Street, right on Wells Street, right on to Elm Street, left on to Trinity Street, right on Capitol Ave, right on Broad Street, and terminating at the Armory; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provides in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the city's costs and fees associated with an event; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the event the Sponsor is required to obtain the proper insurance certificate, which holds the city harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council's waiver, if any, of fees will be consistent with the recommendation of the Public Works, Parks, and Environment Committee.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The SS. Cyril and Methodius Church is sponsoring a sidewalk procession on Sunday October 11, 2009 from 10:15am to noon; and

WHEREAS, The procession will begin at the SS. Cyril and Methodius on Popieluszko Court, walk to Charter Oak Avenue, turn left, walk to Main Street, turn right, and terminate at the General Casimir Pulaski statue; a wreath will be placed upon the statue; and

WHEREAS, The event sponsor is requesting use of the sidewalk and a 50% fee waiver; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provides in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the city's costs and fees associated with an event; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the event the Sponsor is required to obtain the proper insurance certificate, which holds the city harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council's waiver, if any, of fees will be consistent with the recommendation of the Public Works, Parks, and Environment Committee.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Resolved, That Pedro E. Segarra be and hereby is appointed Council President of the Hartford City Council for the term commencing January 1, 2010 and ending January 1, 2012; and be it further

Resolved, That rjo Winch be and hereby is appointed Presiding Office Pro Tempore also known as Majority Leader of the Hartford City Council for the term commencing January 1, 2010 and ending January 1, 2012. and be it further

Resolved, That James M. Boucher be and hereby is appointed Assistant Majority Leader of the Hartford City Council for the term commencing January 1, 2010 and ending January 1, 2012,

Resolved, That Luis E. Cotto be and hereby is appointed Minority Leader of the Hartford City Council for the term commencing January 1, 2010 and ending January 1, 2012.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Court of Common Council not to hold the regularly scheduled Court of Common Council meeting on December 28, 2009 due to the Holiday Season; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any items submitted at the December 14, 2009 Council meeting, including previously scheduled items which would appear for action on December 28, be automatically submitted to the regularly scheduled Council meeting of January 11, 2010.

Attest:

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council understands the State's continuing budget problems have raised the possibility of another Special Session to make additional cuts to the adopted state budget; and

WHEREAS, The proposed 3% reduction (\$84 million) that Gov. M. Jodi Rell proposes to cut from this year's state aid to municipalities would come out of programs and public services for local people just as they need them most; and

WHEREAS, Governor Rell's cuts would probably take effect about halfway through the fiscal year after local budgeted money has already been spent, leaving Hartford with little time to cut back on spending; and

WHEREAS, Cuts in state aid to Hartford would merely shift more of the state budget deficit onto our local government and property taxpayers and mean increased property taxes at the local level; and

WHEREAS, The tax burdens of the local property taxpayers in Hartford are already unsustainable and unfair; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Court of Common Council urges state officials to work to ensure that any additional cuts do not come out of programs that assist municipalities. State cuts in municipal aid to distressed communities mean increased property taxes at the local level; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City of Hartford urges Hartford's state legislators to fight in opposition to Gov. Rell's proposed cuts to municipal aid and other important services, such as services for seniors, libraries, nursing homes, and continue their advocacy for the people of Hartford; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council requests that the Town and City Clerk transmits copies of this certified resolution to the Hartford delegation to the State Senate and House of Representatives.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Rules of the Court of Common Council currently state that meetings of the Legislative Affairs Committee shall be held every fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, The Rules of the Court of Common Council currently state that meetings of the Planning and Economic Development Committee shall be held every first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Council Rule IX, Section 2 be amended as follows:  
2. All Legislative Affairs Committee meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Council Rule IX, Section 2 be amended as follows:  
7. All Planning and Economic Development Committee meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford is seeking qualified and committed residents to serve all its various task forces, boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council wants to ensure that all Hartford residents who are interested in serving on future task forces, boards and commissions have an opportunity to serve; and

WHEREAS, Many former elected officials have demonstrated their dedication to the City through their continued involvement, and their previous experience gives them a unique perspective and insight that can prove valuable to these task forces, boards and commissions; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That notwithstanding any previous resolutions adopted by the Court of Common Council, the Court of Common Council supports the inclusion of all past elected officials as members of City of Hartford task forces, boards and commissions, except for those prohibited by law, regulation or conflict of interest.

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WHEREAS The United States has achieved significant increases in the life expectancy of most residents and reductions in the incidence of injury, disability and disease; and

WHEREAS The gap between the health status and death rates for racial and ethnic minority population groups and Caucasians has not decreased and in some cases has widened; and

WHEREAS Racial and ethnic minority populations face substantial cultural, social, and economic barriers to obtaining access to adequate and competent health care; and

WHEREAS Racial and ethnic minority populations are disproportionately represented in low wage jobs and job sectors that are less likely to have health and mental health insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS The *2005 National Healthcare Disparities Report* (NHDR) findings that disparities related to race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status still pervade the American health and behavioral health care system in almost all aspects of health care; and

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, December 14, 2009, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Handz-On was passed on Monday, October 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The funding source was not identify; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants \$2,000 to Handz-On Program from the Civic & Cultural Affairs Account for Fiscal Yea 2009-2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That notwithstanding the resolution passed on July 13, 2009 related to the Civic & Cultural Account shall be amended to reflect the following:

- The \$1,000 allocated to Friends of Kenny Park shall be remove from the list and funds to be allocated to other organizations before the en of FY 2009-10; and
- The \$1,000 allocated to ACORN shall be remove from the list and funds to be allocated to other organizations before the en of FY 2009-10; and
- The \$2,000 allocated to Cultural Awareness and Youth Basketball shall be remove from the list and funds to be allocated to other organizations before the en of FY 2009-10

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WHEREAS Congress, in 1999, requested an Institute of Medicine (IOM) study to assess the extent of disparities in the types and quality of health and mental health services received by U.S. racial and ethnic minorities and non-minorities; and

WHEREAS Congress charged the IOM with the task of exploring the factors that may contribute to inequities in care and to provide recommendations on policies and practices to eliminate these inequities; and

WHEREAS The report from that study, *Unequal Treatment: Confronting Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health Care*, found that a consistent body of research demonstrates significant variation in the rates of medical procedures by race, even when insurance status, income, age, and severity of conditions are comparable; and

WHEREAS This research indicates that U.S. racial and ethnic minorities are less likely to receive routine medical procedures and experience a lower quality of health and mental health services; and the report states a large body of research underscores the existence of disparities in treatment such as minorities being less likely to receive appropriate cardiac medications, undergo bypass surgery, or receive kidney dialysis or transplants; and

WHEREAS By contrast, minorities are more likely to receive certain less-desirable procedures, such as lower limb amputations for diabetes and other conditions; and

WHEREAS The future health of the nation will be determined to a large extent by how effectively we work with communities to reduce and eliminate health and mental health disparities between non-minority and minority populations experiencing disproportionate burdens of disease, disability, and premature death; and

WHEREAS President Bush's Freedom Commission report for 2005 underscored the disparity in recovery and resiliency for ethnic/racial minorities and identified several goals to be achieved by 2010 that included the elimination of disparities, are yet to be achieved; and

WHEREAS Eliminating health and mental health disparities will require new knowledge about the determinants of disease, causes of health disparities and effective interventions for prevention and treatment; and

WHEREAS Eliminating health and mental health disparities will also require improving access to the benefits of society, including quality preventive and treatment services, as well as innovative ways of working in partnership with health and behavioral health care systems, Federal, State and Local governments, advocacy groups, academia, and community-based organizations, embracing the importance of addressing health and mental health disparities by following the national standards for Culturally and Linguistically appropriate Services in Health Care which were established to correct

inequities in health care and to make services more responsive to the individual needs of patients; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the City of Hartford along with the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) encourage the State and Federal Government to address the disparities in healthcare access and treatment between racial and ethnic minority population groups and Caucasians by following the recommendations of the NHDR, IOM and the President's (President Bush) New Freedom Commission report for 2005 which includes the following:

- Increase the awareness about health and mental health disparities among the general public, health care providers, insurance companies, and policy-makers
- Recruit more minority health and behavioral health care providers especially since they are more likely to serve in minority and medically underserved communities
- Recruit more interpreters for health clinics and hospitals to overcome language barriers that may affect the quality of care.

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WHEREAS, The Greater Hartford Pro-Am, Inc. (GHPA) resolution was passed on Monday, July 13, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The funding source was not identified; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants \$1,300 from the Court of Common Council's Civic and Cultural Affairs Account for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 budget.

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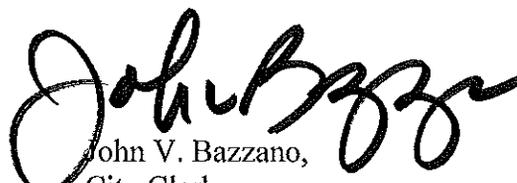
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RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants \$1,000 to the Office of Youth Services from the Court of Common Council's Civic and Cultural Affairs Account for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

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