

Court of Common Council

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August 8, 2011

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation (DFCYR) has been advised by the Connecticut Department of Children and Families that the Juvenile Review Board grant, previously expected to be a two-year grant in the amount of \$450,000, will now be a three-year grant in the amount of \$625,000, and

Whereas, The Juvenile Review Board grant will be used by the City, through its Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation, to divert youth who are first-time offenders from the formal juvenile justice system by engaging them in a process through which they understand how their behavior harmed the victim and community, acknowledge that their behavior was directly harmful to others, and take responsibility for repairing the harm through direct or indirect action, and

Whereas, On April 25, 2011, the Court of Common Council adopted a resolution that authorized the City to apply for and accept the Juvenile Review Board grant of \$225,000 per year, for a total amount of \$450,000 for the two year period from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013, and

Whereas, The grant agreement has now been revised to reflect that the grant term has increased by one year and will now begin on July 1, 2011 and end on June 30, 2014 and that the total grant funding has been increased from \$450,000 to \$675,000 (\$225,000 in each of 3 years), now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for and accept a three-year grant of \$675,000 from the Connecticut State Department of Children and Families through the Juvenile Review Board grant, and be it further

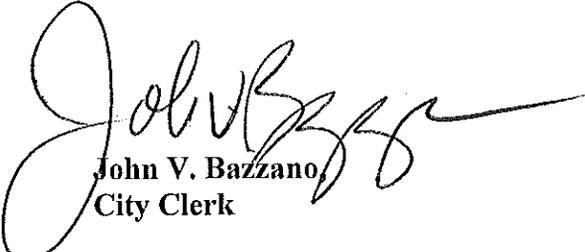
Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem

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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**John V. Bazzano,
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Whereas, The Department of Public Works has been successful in obtaining financial commitments, totaling approximately \$2,421,000 in Federal and State funds, for streetscape improvements along Broad Street between Capitol Avenue and Farmington Avenue, and

Whereas, The State and Federal funds will be administered through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, and

Whereas, The Broad Street Reconstruction Project will include new granite curbs, concrete sidewalk with brick paver accents, ornamental lighting, street pavement, and traffic signal upgrades, and

Whereas, Construction costs are 80% Federal-funded and 20% State-funded and the City of Hartford will be responsible for any costs that arise during construction and that the State determines are not reimbursable, and

Whereas, The City must enter into a formal agreement with the State of Connecticut committing to perform all design services during construction; now, therefore, be it

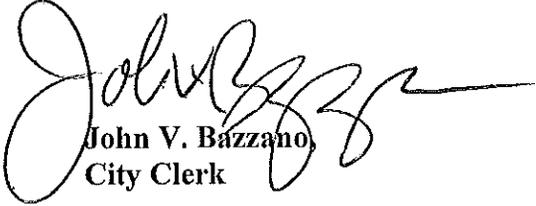
Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the agreement entitled "Agreement between the State of Connecticut and the City Of Hartford for the Construction, Inspection, and Maintenance of Reconstruction of Broad Street Utilizing Federal Funds Under the Urban Component of the Surface Transportation Program, State Project 63-641, Federal-Aid project No. 1063(128)", 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

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The State of Connecticut Department of Public Health makes available, to municipal health departments, grant funding in amounts based on the population of the community, and

Whereas, This funding, known as the Per Capita Grant, may be used by local governments for a wide range of existing and new health programs, and

Whereas, The State has advised that the City of Hartford will receive \$146,390.80 in Per Capita Grant funds for Fiscal Year 2011-12, and

Whereas, The Per Capita Grant funds will be used by the Department of Health & Human Services for community initiatives, such as nutrition education and support for farmers markets, flu vaccine clinics, and administrative and grants management costs, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council does hereby authorize the city to apply for and accept \$146,390.80 in Per Capita Grant funding from the Connecticut Department of Public Health for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and be it further

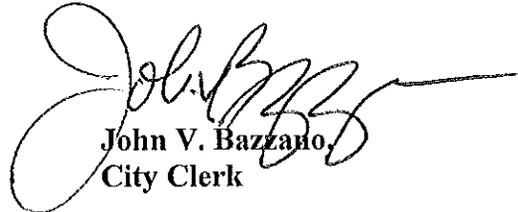
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Resolved, That City of Hartford hereby adopts as its policy to support the Non-Discrimination Agreements and Warranties required under Connecticut General Statute § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245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

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The City of Hartford has traditionally partnered with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities resulting from individuals driving under the influence of alcohol or other substances, and

Whereas, DUI Checkpoints are an effective means of reducing the volume of injuries and fatalities due to impaired driving, and

Whereas, The State of Connecticut Department of Transportation awards grants to municipalities for the purchase of equipment used in DUI enforcement activities and is willing to provide a grant of \$2,991.10 to the City for this purpose, and

Whereas, The Hartford Police Department will use this grant to purchase signs and reflective traffic cones which will allow the Hartford Police Department to conduct the DUI checkpoints in a manner that is safe for the officers involved and the travelling public, now, therefore, be it

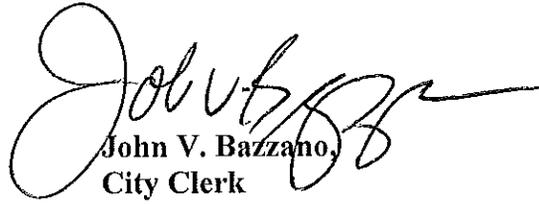
Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the DUI Checkpoint Equipment Grant in the amount of \$2,991.10 from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office, and be it further

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

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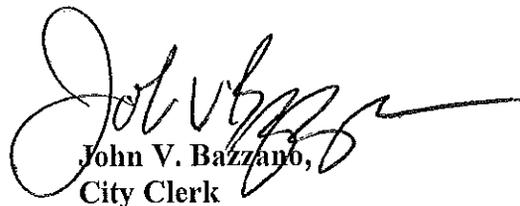
Whereas, Landscape artist Brian Arsenault has graciously donated three of his paintings of Elizabeth Park to the City of Hartford, and

Whereas, These paintings will be displayed in the Green Conference Room in City Hall, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council hereby accepts these paintings on behalf of the City of Hartford, and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor and Council thank Mr. Brian Arsenault for his generosity and conveys their appreciation for his use of his artistic talents to portray some of the most beautiful landscapes in Hartford.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management and the Connecticut Department of Transportation have issued a Request for Applications for the Transit Oriented Development Pilot Program, and

Whereas, The City of Hartford's Comprehensive Plan of Development - One City One Plan - recommends the pursuit of funding to develop transit oriented development projects near Union Station as a revitalization and sustainability measure for the city, and

Whereas, The Department of Development Services, Planning Division, has caused to be prepared an application in the amount of \$795,000 for planning and facilitation activities associated with the Downtown convergence TOD Area which is located in the area surrounding Union Station, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Hartford, is hereby authorized to file such application for the Downtown Convergence TOD Project with the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management, in accordance with the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Pilot Program Request for Applications and to execute an assistance agreement should one be offered, and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to enter into and, if necessary, to amend a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Capital Region Council of Governments, or any successor organization, which incorporates the requirements outlined in the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Pilot Program Request for Applications, as well as identifies any other specific responsibilities that the city chooses to delegate to the Regional Planning Organization in administering the grant, if awarded, as agreed to by the parties, and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to sign the grant application, to negotiate the terms and conditions of the MOU to sign the MOU on behalf of the City of Hartford and to sign

any other documents associates with administering the grant, if awarded, including any amendments thereto, 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

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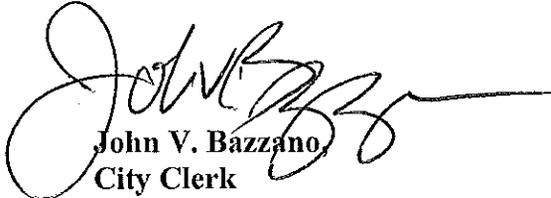
Whereas, The City sells City owned property with specific clauses that bind the new owner to specific conditions assuring the protection of the 'best interest of the City', and/or similarly as the City enters into other property transactions, special loans/grants, etc.); and

Whereas, Special conditions within said transactions should consider assurances that any new property ownership is fulfilling their responsibility to develop property in accordance with plans submitted prior to the sale of such property in a timely manner; now therefore be it

Resolved, That documents evidencing the sale any sale of property City owned, and/or any transaction where the City has a 'primary interest' in transactions related to the transfer of property; contain a reverter clause allowing the City to take title to the property or a clause requiring monetary payments to the City for failure to develop property or any other clause providing the City with an appropriate remedy where development is not completed within a reasonable time; and

Resolved, That the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel shall determine which type of clause as described herein best protects the City's interest in each transaction.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, Mr. James Vaught, is a homeowner in the City of Hartford who owns the residence adjacent to 407 Albany; and

Whereas, The owner of 407 Albany passed away and the executor of the estate has offered the less than a quarter acre of property to Mr. Vaught with no consideration, except, that Mr. Vaught will pay all real estate taxes on the property; and

Whereas, The City has a lien on the property dated September 14, 1979, in the original amount of \$4,533.75; and

Whereas, The City promotes responsible homeownership, and Mr. Vaught is a responsible homeowner who will pay the taxes on the property; and;

Whereas, The parcel of land would be an addition to Mr. Vaught's residential property; and

Whereas, Mr. Vaught is unable to obtain a clear title unless the property is released of the lien; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council authorize the City of Hartford to release the lien at 407 Albany Avenue, providing Mr. Vaught a clear title to the property.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, August 8, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Charter of the City of Hartford requires that the City conduct an obligatory referendum on amending the annual salary of the Court of Common Council member after recommendation by the Court of Common Council; now, therefore be it

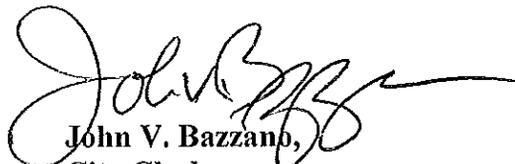
Resolved, The Court of Common Council ordinance has been approved and shall be submitted to votes upon the voting machines or the ballot on Tuesday, November 8, 2011; and be it further

Resolved, That the Ordinates shall be placed upon the voting machines or the ballot under the following heading:

QUESTION 1. "SHALL THERE BE AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 ORDINANCE WHICH INCREASED THE ANNUAL SALARY OF MEMBERS OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL TO TWENTY SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND 0/100 (\$26,650.00) AND RESTORING THE ANNUAL SALARY TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$15,000.00), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER IV, SECTION 1 (a) OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD?"

VOTERS APPROVING THE QUESTION WILL VOTE "YES" AND THOSE OPPOSING THE QUESTION WILL VOTE "NO"

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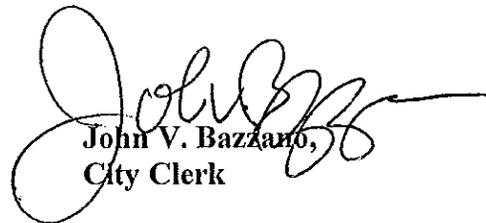
Whereas, Residents and neighborhood groups are increasingly asking the city to consider a more expeditious response to abandoned, deteriorated properties, with special attention given the extra enforcement powers associated with the Anti-Blight Ordinance; and

Whereas, The city has successfully utilized the Anti-Blight ordinance on a number of properties in recent months;

Whereas, Staffing capacity has limited full implementation of the Anti-Blight ordinance; and therefore be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council request that the Mayor provide an assessment of what additional city staff capacity (i.e. housing, L&I departments) would be needed to provide a report to the Council's Housing Committee including (a) the present inventory of abandoned properties in the city (including address, property owner, and status of taxes owed and (b) status of which of these properties will be addressed through the Anti-Blight ordinance; The report should be completed by September 30, 2011 with a report to the Council's Housing Committee meeting scheduled for October 11, 2011.

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