

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL



AGENDA – Part I

MEETING SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

7:00 P.M.



**CITY OF HARTFORD
550 MAIN STREET
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103**

AGENDA
MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
September 9, 2019
Approve Minutes August 12, 2019

ACTION TAKEN

COMMUNICATIONS

1. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant in the amount of \$1.5 million from the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development for the development of an Albany Avenue neighborhood park.
2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution which would authorize the City to enter into a lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the installation of wireless devices on public structures to support their 4G Network. In an effort to further support existing AT&T cellular service across the City, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC has requested to utilize city owned property within the right-of-way to strengthen cell phone coverage within the City.
3. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$190,809 from the United States Department of Justice.
4. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution confirming my reappointment of Reginald D. Freeman as Chief of the Hartford Fire Department. Chief Freeman's second term would begin February 1st 2020 and end on January 31st of 2024.
5. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept the donation of a Sirchie CyanoSafe Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber from the University of Connecticut Police Department.
6. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution adopting Hartford's new Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover (CRA-SOC), recently finalized and approved by the Hartford Fire Department (HFD).
7. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution confirming the appointment of Mia Lozada, Justin Banks, and Andre Santiago to the LGBTQ+ Commission.
8. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a State of Connecticut Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$24,710.45 from the State's Office of Policy Management.
9. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution to endorse the Hartford Tree Plan for 2018-2019 as drafted by the Tree Advisory Commission. The City's urban forest provides tremendous value to our residents, their quality of life, and the character of the City.
10. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, Communication concerning an update on MyRec. by Assistant DPW Director Mike Looney.

REPORTS

11. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, Communication concerning a Substitute Ordinance amending Chapter 24, Chapter 30, and Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of Hartford to create the Housing Code.
12. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution that would transfer funding within the FY2019 budget in order to support planned capital expenditures in the FY2020 budget, as previously approved by the City Council and the Municipal Accountability Review Board.
13. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, Communication concerning an ordinance making general fund appropriations to reflect revised project costs relative to public improvements in the Martin Luther King school project no. 064-0310 RNV.

14. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution approving the transfer of \$404,513.18 of outstanding delinquent personal property taxes from the 2006 – 2016 Grand Lists to the suspense tax book. The City can still make efforts to collect these taxes, however transferring this amount will improve our accounting processes.
15. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution which would allow the City to enter into a license agreement with the Channel Three Kids Camp for operating the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park.
16. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution adopting the Capitol Region Council of Governments' (CRCOG) Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2019 – 2024.

FOR ACTION

17. Resolution requesting that all contractual and payment agreements and on-going monitoring and enforcement be made immediately available from this Administration by regular reporting to Council and the public, and by special request of interested or affected persons or agencies.
18. Resolution seeking to rename Field #9 in The City's Colt Park as the "Johnny Taylor Field" and also serves as The Hartford City Council's effort to commemorate and permanently recognize one of our hometown heroes.
19. Ordinance amending Chapter Two, Article VIII Section 2-850 Residency Requirements of the Municipal Code.
20. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 4, Section 2-352 concerning compensation for nonunion and unclassified executive service classification of the Hartford Municipal Code.
21. Ordinance amending Chapter 29, Article I, to add Section 29-18 relating to the Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles by the Hartford Police Department, of the Municipal Code.
22. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article II of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford be amended, adding Section 2-48 and Section 2-49.
23. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article XXIII, Section 2-938 Drones of the Municipal Code.
24. Resolution with accompanying report concerning the approval of the regulations governing the use of unmanned aerial vehicles by the Hartford Police Department in accordance with the processes recommended by this resolution.
25. Substitute Ordinance amending Chapter 24, Chapter 30, and Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of Hartford to create the Housing Code.

HEARING DATE - Monday, September 16, 2019

26. Ordinance making General Fund Appropriations to Reflect Revised Project Costs Relative to Public Improvements in the Martin Luther King School Project no. 064-0310 RNV.

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

27. (ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER GALE) (COUNCIL PRESIDENT THAMES) (MAJORITY LEADER SANCHEZ) (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 4 Commission on Cultural Affairs of the Municipal Code, to Create the Honorary Positions of the Troubadour, Story Teller, Commentator, Flow Artist and earth Artist.

HEARING DATE - Monday, September 16, 2019

RESOLUTIONS

28. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution requesting that the Hartford Court of Common Council honor the dates of October 12, 2019, from 4:00-8:00pm, and the dates of January 16th & January 22nd, for Summer of Solutions to hold a Free Anti-Racism Training at Parker Memorial in Hartford.

29. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution requesting that the Hartford Court of Common Council work with the Tax Collector's office to develop a plan to obtain uncollected taxes for the highest debtors and provide an update to the Hartford Court of Common Council at the Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting.
30. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution appointing Moise Laurent (WFP) of 180 Saybrooke St., Hartford, Connecticut 06106 to finish the remaining term vacated by Councilwoman Claudine Fox concluding December 31, 2019.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano
City Clerk



ITEM # 1 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Albany Avenue Neighborhood Park Grant

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant in the amount of \$1.5 million from the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development for the development of an Albany Avenue neighborhood park. The Council previously considered an item regarding this grant, and we are requesting consideration of this item regarding the same grant due to clarifications in the resolution required by the State.

With support from the State of Connecticut, the City will transform City-owned land on the north side of Albany Avenue between Magnolia Street and Irving Street into a multi-purpose neighborhood park. Now largely vacant, this plot will be home to seating, plantings, a jogging track, athletic court, greenspace and more. Initial plans for the park have been developed in consultation with residents. Furthermore, this new neighborhood park will leverage streetscape improvements made nearby, further enhancing the city's investment in this neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development has awarded an Urban Act Grant of \$1,500,000.00 to the City of Hartford to be used for a neighborhood park on Albany Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The neighborhood park will revitalize a largely vacant, city-owned plot between Irving and Magnolia Streets; and

WHEREAS, Initial plans for the neighborhood park have been developed in consultation with residents, and will include a recreational jogging track, seating areas, planters, green space, athletic court and more; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to accept grant funding in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 from the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, Urban Act Grant program to plan and construct a neighborhood park on Albany Avenue; 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 or any immediate extension thereof, 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 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 such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.



ITEM # 2 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Strengthening AT&T Cellular Service

Dear Council President Thames,


Attached for your consideration is a resolution which would authorize the City to enter into a lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the installation of wireless devices on public structures to support their 4G Network. In an effort to further support existing AT&T cellular service across the City, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC has requested to utilize city owned property within the right-of-way to strengthen cell phone coverage within the City.

Cellular/wireless service is regulated by the Federal Communication Commission and the CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, and urban environments present unique challenges to carriers. While utility companies are still allowed to expand their network within the ROW itself, they still must enter into agreements with private/public property owners, as well as obtain any necessary regulatory approvals and permits associated with such property that is not owned by the utilities themselves. New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC is proposing to replace and install Small Cell Nodes at six Municipal Street Lights within downtown. Proposed locations are attached for your review.

Currently our Zoning Regulations allow for Small Cell Nodes as Accessory Utility Structures by way of a Special Permit. Therefore, prior to executing any agreement, each structure must receive Planning & Zoning Approval as well as approval from our Department of Public Works to ensure that the intended street poles can both support the new infrastructure and maintain City access to these poles.

The Department of Development Services and Corporation Counsel are happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,


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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, AT&T Wireless or New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC is looking to lease City owned property within the ROW to enhance and provide adequate 4G cell phone coverage to its customers; and

WHEREAS, Utility infrastructure is regulated within the ROW by the Federal Communication Commission and the CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, however, certain areas of the City are serviced by underground wiring that reduce the number of utility poles within these areas, thereby requiring carriers to attach their wireless installations on private and/or public property not owned by the Utility company; and

WHEREAS, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC is looking to install Small Cell Nodes upon six City of Hartford Street Lights; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford has the authority to lease out public structures and charge the utility companies for the use of those structures; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford's Planning & Zoning Regulations allow for Small Cell Node installations as Accessory Utility Structures by way of a special permit review; and

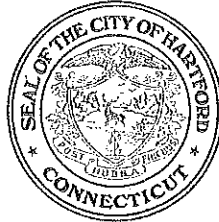
WHEREAS, Any such installation would require the necessary Planning & Zoning approvals, Department of Public Works review & approval as well as any other necessary permits required by law; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, to enter into a lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the use of City property for Wireless Installations; 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 aforementioned agreements 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 application and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.



ITEM # 3 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: U.S. DOJ Justice Assistance Grant

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$190,809 from the United States Department of Justice.

The U.S. Department of Justice's JAG grant is an annual formula grant that the City applies for and accepts each year. The intent of this grant is to help law enforcement agencies prevent or reduce crime and violence.

The Hartford Police Department will use these funds to provide a greater police presence, conduct criminal investigations, and provide targeted enforcement of criminal activity. In particular, these grant funds will be used to cover overtime expenses for the Police Department. There is no local match required for this grant. The Police Department is available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

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, and has been awarded, a formula allocation grant in the amount of \$190,809 from the FY 2018 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program; and

WHEREAS, The intent of this grant is to assist the efforts of law enforcement agencies to prevent or reduce crime and violence; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Police Department will use these funds to provide a greater police presence, conduct criminal investigations, provide targeted enforcement of criminal activity, and for other purposes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to apply for and accept grant funding in the amount of \$190,809 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the FY 2018 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 or any immediate extension thereof, 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 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 such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.



ITEM # 4 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Reappointment of Chief Reginald D. Freeman

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming my reappointment of Reginald D. Freeman as Chief of the Hartford Fire Department. Chief Freeman's second term would begin February 1st 2020 and end on January 31st of 2024.

As you know, Chief Freeman has served as our Fire Chief and Director of Emergency Management since 2016. He has done an outstanding job leading the Department as we have recruited and integrated more than 100 new firefighters, including during a lengthy period when he served as Interim Director of the Department of Public Works. We are fortunate to have him in Hartford.

Chief Freeman had a distinguished career in the private sector before rejoining the City as Fire Chief, and he served in Iraq as civilian fire chief for the U.S. Department of Defense and coalition allies from 2004 – 2008, providing all-hazards fire and emergency services to forward and continuing operating bases throughout Iraq. He holds degrees from Bellevue University and Grand Canyon University, and he has completed multiple leadership courses from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. His resume is attached for your review, and he would be happy to meet with the Council.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The Mayor has reappointed Reginald D. Freeman as the Chief of the Hartford Fire Department to serve from February 1st 2020 to January 31st of 2024; and

WHEREAS, Chief Freeman is currently serving as the Chief of the Hartford Fire Department after a career in the private sector with Lockheed Martin Aeronautics and a prior stint with the City of Hartford; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the Mayor's reappointment of Reginald D. Freeman as the City of Hartford's Fire Chief.



ITEM # 5 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Donation from UCONN Police Department

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept the donation of a Sirchie CyanoSafe Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber from the University of Connecticut Police Department.

Fuming chambers develop and enhance latent fingerprints on seized evidence items such as firearms. The donated fuming chamber will serve as an upgrade to the older, heavily-used fuming chamber currently used by the Hartford Police Department Crime Scene Division to process evidence items. Hartford Police Department Crime Scene Division personnel are already trained in the use and operation of the donated fuming chamber. There is no cost for this fuming chamber with the exception of future maintenance of its filter system.

The Hartford Police Department is available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The University of Connecticut has offered to donate a Sirchie CyanoSafe Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber to the Hartford Police Department; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford Police Department Crime Scene Division currently uses a fuming chamber to process seized evidence items for latent fingerprints, including firearms; and

WHEREAS, The donated fuming chamber will be of no cost to the City of Hartford, with the exception of future maintenance; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the donation of a Sirchie CyanoSafe Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber from the University of Connecticut Police Department for use by the Hartford Police department.



ITEM # 6 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Hartford Fire Department Community Risk Assessment

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution adopting Hartford's new Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover (CRA-SOC), recently finalized and approved by the Hartford Fire Department (HFD).

The CRA-SOC was developed over the course of the last year by the HFD's Accreditation Team, a 14-member team consisting of various ranks. The goal of the CRA-SOC is the efficient delivery of emergency services for the protection of life, property, and the environment for Hartford residents, business partners, and visitors. The CRA-SOC forced the Department to evaluate its operations concerning resource allocation and deployment modeling.

The CRA-SOC is a risk-based, data driven plan, the first in the State of Connecticut, for a staffing and the deployment model to direct overall HFD efforts to meet the needs of our city. Key elements of the SOC include service levels, performance analysis of response capacity, and recommendations for improvement and efficiency.

The CRA-SOC incorporates the following: a general overview of the community, a detailed description of the Hartford Fire Department and services provided, a comprehensive community risk assessment including the deployment model, and an evaluation of baseline performance derived from adopted benchmark measures and the compliance methodology.

In addition to optimizing performance, the HFD hopes that the efficient delivery of services maximizes public benefits while saving taxpayer dollars. HFD has already begun the implementation of the CRA-SOC in its operations. It is intended to be a living document that will be updated as time goes on. The HFD is happy to answer any questions you may have, and a copy of the CRA-SOC is attached. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, Like all municipalities, the City of Hartford is vulnerable to many types of disasters including major fires, ice storms, blizzards, thunderstorms, tornadoes, hurricanes, flooding, levee failures, bridge failures, hazardous materials incidents/accidents, aircraft accidents and major highway accidents; and

WHEREAS, These disasters present risks to Hartford residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Fire Department has drafted and approved a Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover to identify, assess, and categorize the various levels of risks associated with the known hazards within the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Fire Department has drafted and approved a Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover to determine its resource allocation and deployment model to mitigate the various levels of risks associated with the known hazards within the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Fire Department has committed to meeting the adopted Benchmarks within the Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover as a service standard for the protection of life, property, and the environment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby adopts the Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover and supports the efforts of the Hartford Fire Department to effectively meet its service mission in the protection of life, property, and environment.



ITEM # 7 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

Re: Appointments to the LGBTQ+ Commission

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution confirming the appointment of Mia Lozada, Justin Banks, and Andre Santiago to the LGBTQ+ Commission.

The purpose of the Commission is to assist in the elimination of bigotry, discrimination and prejudice against individuals of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community in the city of Hartford. The Commission may do so by making recommendations to the Council on policies, services, goals, and administration and their impact on the LGBTQ+ community as well as holding public forums, providing and gathering information, and serving as a clearinghouse for information and resources.

I am pleased to appoint these committed individuals to this important commission. Their resumes are attached for your review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectively submitted,

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The LGBTQ+ Commission assists in the elimination of bigotry, discrimination and prejudice against individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and/or questioning, and

WHEREAS, The Commission is composed of fifteen members, who shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed as members by the Court of Common Council, for a term of three years, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor has appointed Mia Lozada, Justin Banks, and Andre Santiago to the LGBTQ+ Commission; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby confirms the following appointment:

Mia Lozada (D) – Replacing Sean Casey Bradbury
146 Affleck Street #3N, Hartford CT, 06106
For a term expiring September 9, 2022

Justin Banks (D) – Replacing Miguel Gonzalez
149 Kenyon Street, Hartford CT, 06105
For a term expiring September 9, 2022

Andre Santiago (D)
594 Farmington Avenue #A5, Hartford CT, 06105
For a term expiring September 9, 2022



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

ITEM # 8 ON AGENDA

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: State OPM Justice Assistance Grant

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution authorizing the City to accept a State of Connecticut Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$24,710.45 from the State's Office of Policy Management.

The purpose of this grant, generally, is to help local governments improve public safety. This grant specifically focuses on gun violence reduction and will fund overtime necessary to conduct proactive patrols and detective work. The grant is scheduled to run from August 19, 2019 to September 30, 2019. There are no matching requirements related to the receipt of this grant.

This funding was part of a pool of funding announced by Governor Lamont to address violence in cities across Connecticut. The Police Department is available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut Office of Policy Management has offered several cities State funding for Gun Violence Prevention; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford has been awarded \$24,710.45 by the State of Connecticut through a Justice Assistance Grant to fund special overtime; and

WHEREAS, Funds from this program will provide the Hartford Police Department additional staffing resources needed to help address gun violence in the City; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept a Gun Violence Prevention Grant in the amount of \$24,710.45 from the State of Connecticut Office of Policy Management with no local match required; 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 or any immediate extension thereof, 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 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 such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.



Luke A. Bronin
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ITEM # 9 ON AGENDA

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
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RE: Hartford Tree Plan

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution to endorse the Hartford Tree Plan for 2018-2019 as drafted by the Tree Advisory Commission. The City's urban forest provides tremendous value to our residents, their quality of life, and the character of the City. This plan, which will be updated in the future, sets benchmarks for maintenance and upkeep of the City's urban forest; explains the overall health of the forest; serves as a guide to our planting efforts; and acts as a supportive planning document that assists in justifying funding to maintain this important asset. The plan is attached for your review.

In compliance with the City's Tree Ordinance, this plan was drafted by the Tree Advisory Commission over a two-year period with the assistance of the City Forester, the Deputy Director of Public Works, the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, the Office of the Corporation Counsel, and the Office of Sustainability.

The Department of Public Works is happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor

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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, September 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford’s Tree Advisory Commission has drafted the 2018-2019 Hartford Tree Plan in compliance with the City of Hartford’s Tree Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, This Plan was developed over a two-year period in collaboration with critical municipal, state, and community stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, The Plan seeks to maintain the health of Hartford’s urban forest, ensure public safety, increase the City’s tree canopy to at least 35% coverage, reduce the urban heat island effect through target plantings in identified urban heat islands, increase tree plantings aimed at energy savings, reduce storm water run-off through target plantings, improve air quality through forest management and careful selection of new trees, design and implement an environmental stewardship program for Hartford schools, City of Hartford employees, and Hartford citizens, and become an urban forestry model for other cities; and

WHEREAS, The Plan combines two reports specified in the Hartford Tree Ordinance – the “State of the Forest” report called for under Section 28-156(h), and the Master Tree Plan called for under Section 28-154 of the Hartford Municipal Code; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Court of Common Council hereby endorses the 2018-2019 Hartford Tree Plan as drafted by the Tree Advisory Commission and supports the implementation of its long-term goals and objectives for the City’s urban forest canopy.

Court of Common Council

CITY OF HARTFORD
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Communication

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council,

The following communication is to inform you that the meeting held on August 21st, 2019 received an update from Assistant DPW Director Mike Looney in reference to MyRec. Whereby, Assistant Director Looney and attendees Donnar Swarr of PRAC, also joined by Tom Swarr, indicated that initially folks were taking advantage of the MyRec on-line reservations to book additional dates and times in an inequitable way. Since DPW was alerted to this, city employees in the department have become vigilant with reservations so as to prevent massive bookings by one group or organization. Thus, creating a more streamlined approach.

Sincerely,

Wildaliz Bermúdez
Chairwoman of Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee

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Planning, Economic Development, and Housing Committee

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REPORT **(with amended Ordinance attached)**

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Planning, Economic Development and Housing Committee meeting of the Court of Common Council of the City of Hartford held its regular meeting on September 3, 2019 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers. Present were Councilman John Q. Gale, Chair, Council President, Councilwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, and Minority Leader, Councilwoman Wildaliz Bermudez (who left before action was taken).

The following item was discussed:

(MAYOR BRONIN) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 24, CHAPTER 30, AND CHAPTER 18 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF HARTFORD TO CREATE THE HOUSING CODE. (ITEM 22 ON THE AGENDA OF May 28, 2019)

This was the fourth meeting of the Committee at which this item was discussed. At each meeting, city staff appeared to explain the proposed Ordinance revision. Staff who appeared included the Blight Director Laura Settlemyer and Development Services Director Eric Johnson. City housing code inspectors also appeared and commented. In addition, landlords, tenants and representatives of both appeared at all four meetings. The Committee received input from all members of the public who attended.

Substantial questions were raised at each meeting as the Ordinance proposes a substantial revision of the City's Housing Code. One major change is the creation of a Rental Licensing Program pursuant to which all city landlords of housing containing 3 or more units (except 3-family owner occupied property) will be required to obtain a license to operate. The license will require inspections of all units; the designation of a human being as a registered agent; and will run for four years. The license is transferrable upon sale. The licenses will be phased in over 5 years to allow for appropriate staffing.

Beyond the licensing program, the basic housing code and fair rent commission provisions have been updated to include best practices found elsewhere.

As a result of the questions raised by both council, staff and the public, the proposed ordinance was revised multiple times. Each revision was widely distributed, and each was revised yet again until the revision presented to the Committee at this meeting. This revision was presented as a final revision and represents a substantial change in language from the ordinance submitted on May 28, 2019.

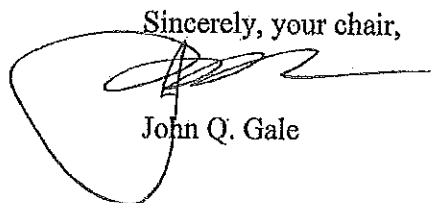
After due consideration, the following action was taken:

Motion by Council President Councilwoman Thames and second by Councilman Gale to send back to Council with a *favorable* recommendation the amended ordinance presented at the meeting, which Amended Ordinance is attached hereto, and pursuant to the Charter, reassign the entire matter for public hearing as an original ordinance, with action to be taken thereafter in accordance with standard procedures.

Vote 2-0 in favor of motion taken as follows:

Gale - yes
Thames - yes
Bermudez - absent
Deutsch - absent
Rosado - absent
Sanchez - absent

Sincerely, your chair,



John Q. Gale

Court of Common Council

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Report

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowyn L. H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee held a meeting on August 19, 2019 at 5:30pm in Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #1

Communication from Mayor Bronin with accompanying resolution that would transfer funding within the FY2019 budget in order to support planned capital expenditures in the FY2020 budget, as previously approved by the City Council and the Municipal Accountability Review Board.

The following were present: Committee Co-Chairwoman Glendowyn L. H. Thames, Majority Leader James Sánchez, Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez and non-committee council member Assistant Majority Leader John Gale.

Also present were, John Philip, City Assessor, Walter Veselka, Director of Public Works, Steve Francis, Interim Director of Human Resources, Jeff Hallin, Assistant Director of Management,

Budget & Grants, Frank Dellaripa, City Engineer, Albert Gary, Principal, Toraal Development, LLC. other concerned citizens.

Jeff Hallin, Assistant Director of Management, Budget & Grants explained the purpose of the resolution concerning the authorization of transferring funds within the fiscal year 2019 budget in order to support the planned capital expenditures approved by City Council in the fiscal year 2020 budget in the amount of \$15,188,378.

Mr. Hallin shared that the transfer was a part of the plan presented to the Municipal Accounting Review Board (MARB). The total budget transfer would be comprised of \$10,577,885 to Debt service and \$4,610,493 to Non-Operating totaling \$15,188,378 from the General Fund.

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members and Mr. Hallin, regarding the timeliness of transferring the funds, approval of the expenditures and upholding our agreement as presented to the MARB.

A motion was made by Majority Leader James Sánchez and seconded Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (3-0-2-Absent- 0-Recused- Pass)

Co-Chairwoman Thames: Yes
Co-Chairman Clarke II: Absent
Councilman Sánchez: Yes
Councilwoman Bermúdez: Yes
Councilwoman Rosado: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,



Glendowlyn L. H. Thames
Co-Chairwoman of OMBGA

Thomas J. Clarke II
Co-Chairman of OMBGA



ITEM # _____ ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

August 12, 2019

Honorable Glendowyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: FY 2019 Year-End Pay-As-You-Go Budget Transfers

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution that would transfer funding within the FY 2019 budget in order to support planned capital expenditures in the FY 2020 budget, as previously approved by the City Council and the Municipal Accountability Review Board.

As you know, the City is currently funding all capital, vehicle, equipment and technology purchases on a pay-as-you-go basis. This resolution would authorize the transfer of approximately \$15 million within the FY 2019 budget for those purposes. The approximately \$15 million comes from costs that have come in lower than budgeted and other savings. This transfer will support previously approved expenditures, not new expenditures.

The Office of Management, Budget, and Grants and the Department of Finance are happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, August 12, 2019

WHEREAS, Debt Service and Non-Operating Departments will fund critical capital, vehicle, equipment and technology in Fiscal Year 2019; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with Chapter X Section 7(a) of the City of Hartford Charter, the Mayor has recommended the transfer of \$15,188,378 within the General fund to cover these projected expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Funds are projected to be available in the unencumbered appropriation balances in the Fiscal Year 2019 General Fund Budget in Benefits and Insurances and other General Fund departments for transfer to the departments noted below; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the FY 2019 General Fund Budget:

- Transfer \$15,188,378 from Benefits & Insurances and any other General Fund Departmental appropriations with available unencumbered appropriation balances, and
- Transfer \$10,577,885 to Debt Service (Pay-As-You-Go Capital Expenditure Reserve),
- Transfer \$4,610,493 to Non-Operating; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to modify such transfers up to and including audit adjustments.

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Report

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee held a meeting on August 19, 2019 at 5:30pm in Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #3

An ordinance making general fund appropriations to reflect revised project costs relative to public improvements in the Martin Luther King school project no. 064-0310 RNV (Mayor Bronin).

The following were present: Committee Co-Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Majority Leader James Sánchez, Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez, and non-committee council member Assistant Majority Leader John Gale.

Also present were, John Philip, City Assessor, Walter Veselka, Director of Public Works, Steve Francis, Interim Director of Human Resources, Jeff Hallin, Assistant Director of Management,

Budget & Grants, Frank Dellaripa, City Engineer, Albert Gary, Principal, Toraal Development, LLC. other concerned citizens.

Frank Dellaripa, City Engineer explained the purpose of the ordinance concerning the authorization to align the budget for the Martin Luther King school project no. 064-0310 RNV with the current scope and anticipated total estimated cost of \$108 million.

Mr. Dellaripa shared that the revised estimate of \$108 million reflects a more realistic cost of the project. The original \$68 million was an estimate based upon previous projects for Bulkeley and Fox schools. In addition, 95% of the project would be reimbursed by the State of Connecticut.

A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members and Mr. Dellaripa regarding the scope of the project, total contributions from the City and State of Connecticut reimbursement rate.

A motion was made by Majority Leader James Sánchez and seconded Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (3-0-2-Absent- 0-Recused- Pass)

Co-Chairwoman Thames: Yes
Co-Chairman Clarke II: Absent
Councilman Sánchez: Yes
Councilwoman Bermúdez: Yes
Councilwoman Rosado: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,



Glendowlyn L. H. Thames
Co-Chairwoman of OMBGA

Thomas J. Clarke II
Co-Chairman of OMBGA

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Report

September 9, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Operations, Management, Budget, and Government Accountability Committee held a meeting on August 19, 2019 at 5:30pm in Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

Item #2

Communication from Mayor Bronin with accompanying resolution approving the transfer of \$404,513.18 of outstanding delinquent personal property taxes from the 2006 – 2016 Grand Lists to the suspense tax book. The City can still make efforts to collect these taxes, however transferring this amount will improve our accounting processes.

The following were present: Committee Co-Chairwoman Glendowlyn L. H. Thames, Majority Leader James Sánchez, Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez and non-committee council member Assistant Majority Leader John Gale.

Also present were, John Philip, City Assessor, Walter Veselka, Director of Public Works, Steve Francis, Interim Director of Human Resources, Jeff Hallin, Assistant Director of Management,

Budget & Grants, Frank Dellaripa, City Engineer, Albert Gary, Principal, Toraal Development, LLC. other concerned citizens.

John Philip, City Assessor, explained the purpose of the resolution concerning the authorization to transfer \$404,513.18 to the Suspense Book. The amount represents outstanding delinquent personal property taxes for tax bills that the Tax Collector has certified as unlikely to be collected.

Mr. Philip shared that the purpose of the resolution was to accurately reflect the actual accounts receivable of revenue through tax collection. According to the Connecticut General Statutes Section 12-165, each municipal tax collector is required, at least annually, to certify as to the doubtful collection of taxes that have remained unpaid for some time.

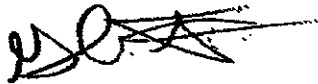
A discussion ensued amongst the OMBGA committee members and Mr. Philip regarding continuous efforts to collect back taxes.

A motion was made by Majority Leader James Sánchez and seconded Minority Leader Wildaliz Bermudez to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Vote Taken: (3-0-2-Absent- 0-Recused- Pass)

Co-Chairwoman Thames: Yes
Co-Chairman Clarke II: Absent
Councilman Sánchez: Yes
Councilwoman Bermúdez: Yes
Councilwoman Rosado: Absent

Respectfully Submitted,



Glendowlyn L. H. Thames
Co-Chairwoman of OMBGA

Thomas J. Clarke II
Co-Chairman of OMBGA



ITEM # 14 ON AGENDA

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

August 12, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

Re: 2006 – 2016 Uncollectible Property Taxes

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution approving the transfer of \$404,513.18 of outstanding delinquent personal property taxes from the 2006 – 2016 Grand Lists to the suspense tax book. The City can still make efforts to collect these taxes, however transferring this amount will improve our accounting processes.

These outstanding taxes have been certified by the Tax Collector as unlikely to be collected. The process of moving delinquent taxes to the suspense tax book is an accounting function that reduces the tax receivables, which in turn provides a more accurate reflection of the municipality's actual tax receivables. The amounts due remain obligations of the individual taxpayer and may be placed with the City's collection agency. These bills will continue to accrue interest at the statutory rate of eighteen percent annually until paid by the taxpayer.

Thank you for your consideration of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

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Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, August 12, 2019

WHEREAS, There is on file in the Office of the Town and city Clerk, and in the Office of the Tax Collector a detailed listed of certain personal property taxes that are due to the City of Hartford, but which have not been paid, and

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

WHEREAS, The Tax Collector has been unable to collect these taxes, despite making demand for payment upon the taxpayer at the last known address on record; and

WHEREAS, In some instances, the businesses associated with the tax have closed and the owner cannot be located; and

WHEREAS, These accounts may 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 collection of these taxes; and

WHEREAS, Interest on any outstanding tax bill that is transferred to the suspense tax book will continue to accrue at a statutory rate of eighteen percent annually; and

WHEREAS, Nothing herein contained shall be construed as an abatement of any tax transferred to the suspense tax 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 of years of levy in accordance with the above mentioned Collector's file, as set for in the certification:

Property Type	Grant List(s)	Taxes Owed
Personal Property	2006-2016	\$404,513.18
<u>Total amount to be moved to the suspense tax book</u>		<u>\$404,513.18</u>

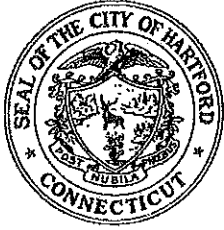
WHEREAS, Approval of this transfer is required before the end of the fiscal year; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the aggregate sum of \$404,513.18 in outstanding personal property taxes, and the same hereby is, transferred to the Municipal suspense tax book effective as of June 30, 2019, in accordance with Section 12-165 of the State of Connecticut General Statutes.

ITEM# 15 ON AGENDA

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Report

September 9, 2019,

Honorable Glendowyn L.H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee held a meeting on August 21st, at 5:30pm in Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Wildaliz Bermúdez, Assistant Majority Leader John Q. Gale and Councilwoman rJo Winch.

Also present were, an City of Hartford attorney from the Corporation Counsel's Office, DPW Assistant Director Mike Looney and Donna Swarr from PRAC as well as Tom Swarr from ACOTE.

Item #1

COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution which would allow the City to enter into a license agreement with the Channel Three Kids Camp for operating the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park. (ITEM 3 ON AGENDA OF JULY 8, 2019)

A motion was made by Councilman Gale and seconded by Councilwoman Winch to send this item to full Council with no recommendation.

Votes Taken:

Chairwoman Bermúdez: Yes
Councilman Gale: Yes
Councilwoman Winch: Yes
Councilman Clarke II: Absent
Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully submitted,

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Wildaliz Bermúdez
Chairwoman of Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

July 8, 2019

Honorable Glendowyn L. H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council,
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: Annual Holiday Lights at Goodwin Park

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution which would allow the City to enter into a license agreement with the Channel Three Kids Camp for operating the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park. The City's current license agreement with this organization terminates on August 31, 2019. The resolution as proposed would empower the City to effectuate a new license agreement with a term of five (5) years, commencing on September 1, 2019 and terminating on August 31, 2024.

The Channel Three Kids Camp is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing year-round opportunities to children families, & communities through educational & recreational programs that promote diversity, acceptance and environmental appreciation. The Holiday Light Fantasia is a Hartford tradition and the largest event Channel 3 Kids Camp presents each year, bringing in thousands of visitors. The camp utilizes revenue generated by the Holiday Lights Fantasia in Goodwin Park to support its many year-round and summer camp programs that serve over 3,000 children annually. In addition, the annual event is a tourist attraction for the City, drawing a large attendance from residents of the greater Hartford region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, July 8, 2019

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford has a License Agreement with Almada Lodge - Times Farm Camp Corp., DBA Channel Three Kids Camp for the operation of the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park, a not-for-profit youth development organization; and

WHEREAS, said License Agreement is scheduled to terminate on August 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park is the largest fundraising event for the Channel 3 Kids Camp each year, providing critical financial support for the organization's year-round and summer camp programs that serve over 3,000 children annually; and

WHEREAS, the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park is a Hartford tradition and a significant tourism attraction for the City, drawing a large attendance from residents of the greater Hartford region; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the Holiday Lights Fantasia is in keeping with the use and character of Goodwin Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a License Agreement with Almada Lodge - Times Farm Camp Corp., DBA Channel Three Kids Camp, for the operation of the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park for a term of five (5) years commencing September 1, 2019, 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 execution of said License Agreement; 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 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 taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

Court of Common Council

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Report

September 9, 2019,

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President
City of Hartford
550 Main Street, Room 208
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Dear Members of the Court of Common Council:

The Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee held a meeting on August 21st, at 5:30pm in Council Chambers to discuss the following referred item as reflected on the committee agenda.

The following were present: Committee Chairwoman Wildaliz Bermúdez and Assistant Majority Leader.

Also present were, Lynne Pike DiSanto (Principal Planner and Policy Analyst for CRCOG), DPW Assistant Director Mike Looney, a City of Hartford attorney from the Corporation Counsel's Office, Donna Swarr from PRAC as well as Tom Swarr from ACOTE.

Lynne Pike DiSanto (CROCG's Principal Planner and Policy Analyst) made a presentation regarding the emergency management mitigation plan. In her presentation, Lynne indicated that such a mitigation plan is crucial for the city to be able to apply later on for federal grants that help lead into capital improvement projects. From the city side, Chief Freeman worked on the Mitigation Plan for Hartford.

Item #2

COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR BRONIN, WITH ACCOMPANYING
RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS'
(CRCOG) NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR 2019-2024 (ITEM 6 ON
AGENDA FOR JULY 8, 2019)

A motion was made by Councilman Gale and seconded by Councilwoman Bermudez to send this item to full Council with a favorable recommendation.

Votes Taken:

Chairwoman Bermúdez: Yes
Councilman Gale: Yes
Councilwoman Winch: Absent
Councilman Clarke II: Absent
Councilman Sánchez: Absent

Respectfully submitted,

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Wildaliz Bermúdez
Chairwoman of Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

July 8, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
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Re: CRCOG Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan 2019 - 2024

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution adopting the Capitol Region Council of Governments' (CRCOG) Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2019 – 2024. CRCOG has received Federal Emergency Management Agency funds through the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to develop a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update for the 38 municipalities in our region.

The plan was developed by CRCOG staff and municipal officials from each community, including Chief Reginald Freeman, the City's Emergency Management Director, and Walter Veselka, Director of Public Works. They, as well as CRCOG staff, are available to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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**Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2019 by the Court of Common Council of Hartford,
Connecticut**

Mayor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has affixed his/her signature and the corporate seal
of the City of Hartford this ____ day of _____, 2019.

City Clerk

INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, July 8, 2019

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CAPITOL REGION NATURAL HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE, 2019-2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford has historically experienced severe damage from natural hazards and it continues to be vulnerable to the effects of those natural hazards profiled in the plan (e.g. *flooding, high wind, thunderstorms, winter storms, earthquakes, droughts, dam failure, and wildfires*), resulting in loss of property and life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Hartford Court of Common Council approved the previous version of the Plan in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford and Capitol Region Council of Governments developed and received conditional approval from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, 2019-2024 under the requirements of 44 CFR 201.6; and

WHEREAS, public and committee meetings were held and public input was sought in 2017 and 2018 regarding the development and review of the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, 2019-2024; and

WHEREAS, the Plan specifically addresses hazard mitigation strategies and Plan maintenance procedure for the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, the Plan recommends several hazard mitigation actions/projects that will provide mitigation for specific natural hazards that impact the City of Hartford, with the effect of protecting people and property from loss associated with those hazards; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Plan will make the City of Hartford eligible for funding to alleviate the impacts of future hazards; now therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Court of Common Council:

1. The Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the City of Hartford;
2. The respective officials identified in the mitigation strategy of the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended actions assigned to them;
3. Future revisions and Plan maintenance required by 44 CFR 201.6 and FEMA are hereby adopted as a part of this resolution for a period of five (5) years from the date of this resolution.
4. An annual report on the progress of the implementation elements of the Plan shall be presented to the Court of Common Council.

Capitol Region Council of Governments Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: 2019 – 2024

Executive Summary

Introduction

Connecticut's Capitol Region encompasses the City of Hartford and 37 surrounding urban, suburban, and rural communities. The Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) received Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds through the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to develop a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update for the 38 municipalities comprising the region:

Town of Andover	Town of East Windsor	Town of Marlborough	Town of Suffield
Town of Avon	Town of Ellington	City of New Britain	Town of Tolland
Town of Berlin	Town of Enfield	Town of Newington	Town of Vernon
Town of Bloomfield	Town of Farmington	Town of Plainville	Town of West Hartford
Town of Bolton	Town of Glastonbury	Town of Rocky Hill	Town of Wethersfield
Town of Canton	Town of Granby	Town of Simsbury	Town of Willington
Town of Columbia	City of Hartford	Town of Somers	Town of Windsor
Town of Coventry	Town of Hebron	Town of South Windsor	Town of Windsor Locks
Town of East Granby	Town of Manchester	Town of Southington	
Town of East Hartford	Town of Mansfield	Town of Stafford	

CRCOG staff and municipal officials from each community contributed to this planning project. The Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee (CREPC) ESF-5 Emergency Management subcommittee was expanded to provide guidance to the update process. This plan update builds on the existing Capitol Region Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan of 2014 and incorporates information from the former Central Connecticut Region Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (2016) and the former Windham Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (2015). Berlin, New Britain, Plainville, and Southington were previously included in the former Central Connecticut Region Hazard Mitigation Plan. Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, and Willington were previously included in the former Windham Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The other 30 communities listed above were included in the previous Capitol Region Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (2014).

The purpose of this plan is to identify natural hazards likely to affect the Capitol Region and its nearly one million residents, assess vulnerabilities to these hazards, and set forth mitigation strategies that will reduce the loss of life and property, economic disruptions, and the cost of post-disaster recovery for the region's communities. The benefits of preparing a Hazard Mitigation Plan include:

- Improving the region's ability to deal with natural disasters and reduce losses
- Reducing the need for emergency response to natural disasters
- Enabling municipalities to access FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants upon formal adoption of an approved plan
- Improving post-disaster recovery implementation

The plan considers the following natural hazards that affect the region:

- Dam Failure
- Drought
- Earthquake
- Flooding
- Forest and Wildland Fires
- Hurricanes and Tropical Storms
- Tornadoes and High Winds
- Severe Winter Storms

The impacts of these natural hazards were evaluated as well as the locations and groups of people particularly vulnerable to the effects of these hazards. Mitigation goals and strategies were developed at both the regional and local levels to reduce or prevent the damages to life and property that can result from these natural hazards. CROCOG and CREPC, in addition to local and other partners, are responsible for implementation of the regional goals contained in this plan. Each participating municipality identified its own mitigation goals and strategies and assumes responsibility for implementation of those measures.

Hazards Impacting the Capitol Region

The Capitol Region is vulnerable to the numerous natural hazards with flooding, winter storms, and high wind events being the natural hazards that most frequently occur with enough severity to cause loss of life or property. To evaluate the impacts of these hazards on our region, we looked at historical accounts of major storms and other events; examined flood insurance claims data and public assistance provided after federally declared disasters; analyzed demographic data and physical features; and used HAZUS-MH, a computer model, to estimate losses due to flooding, hurricanes, and earthquakes.

Loss estimates for each hazard are summarized for each community in Table ES-1 below and range from approximately \$247,000 per year in Andover to nearly \$11,093,000 in Hartford. Details regarding these loss estimates are provided in Section II and each municipal annex of this plan. The annualized loss estimate for the Capitol Region due to natural hazards is estimated at \$84.1 million. The following is a brief summary of the natural hazards affecting the region and our communities.

Table ES-1. Annualized Loss Estimate by Community (in \$1,000s)

Town	Dam Failure	Drought	Earthquakes	Flooding	Hurricanes and Tropical Storms	Severe Winter Storms	Thunderstorms	Tornadoes	Wildfires	Total
Andover	\$0	\$0	\$8	\$1	\$223	\$11	\$1	\$1	\$2	\$247
Avon	\$0	\$0	\$72	\$4	\$1,135	\$163	\$2	\$266	\$4	\$1,646
Berlin	\$0	\$0	\$76	\$11	\$1,245	\$83	\$3	\$291	\$5	\$1,714
Bloomfield	\$0	\$0	\$79	\$15	\$1,284	\$181	\$3	\$301	\$5	\$1,868
Bolton	\$0	\$0	\$13	\$0	\$337	\$19	\$2	\$1	\$2	\$374
Canton	\$0	\$0	\$28	\$10	\$645	\$48	\$1	\$151	\$5	\$888
Columbia	\$0	\$0	\$14	\$1	\$372	\$9	\$2	\$2	\$3	\$403
Coventry	\$1	\$0	\$25	\$4	\$843	\$33	\$5	\$4	\$5	\$920
East Granby	\$0	\$0	\$18	\$2	\$323	\$41	\$1	\$76	\$3	\$464
East Hartford	\$0	\$0	\$150	\$14	\$3,213	\$188	\$7	\$752	\$3	\$4,327
East Windsor	\$0	\$0	\$37	\$8	\$700	\$30	\$1	\$164	\$5	\$945

Town	Dam Failure	Drought	Earthquakes	Flooding	Hurricanes and Tropical Storms	Severe Winter Storms	Thunderstorms	Tornadoes	Wildfires	Total
Ellington	\$1	\$0	\$34	\$2	\$1,057	\$67	\$6	\$5	\$4	\$1,176
Enfield	\$0	\$0	\$121	\$24	\$2,799	\$385	\$6	\$655	\$6	\$3,996
Farmington	\$0	\$0	\$106	\$39	\$1,589	\$192	\$3	\$372	\$5	\$2,306
Glastonbury	\$0	\$0	\$150	\$5	\$2,158	\$216	\$5	\$505	\$10	\$3,049
Granby	\$0	\$0	\$23	\$3	\$707	\$117	\$1	\$166	\$8	\$1,025
Hartford	\$0	\$0	\$478	\$32	\$7,822	\$910	\$17	\$1,831	\$3	\$11,093
Hebron	\$1	\$0	\$22	\$0	\$656	\$27	\$4	\$3	\$5	\$718
Manchester	\$0	\$0	\$186	\$7	\$3,651	\$381	\$8	\$855	\$5	\$5,093
Mansfield	\$2	\$0	\$79	\$21	\$1,799	\$115	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$2,040
Marlborough	\$0	\$0	\$17	\$3	\$401	\$18	\$1	\$94	\$4	\$538
New Britain	\$0	\$0	\$196	\$26	\$4,589	\$187	\$10	\$1,074	\$2	\$6,084
Newington	\$0	\$0	\$110	\$18	\$1,916	\$153	\$4	\$448	\$2	\$2,651
Plainville	\$0	\$0	\$63	\$28	\$1,111	\$55	\$2	\$260	\$2	\$1,521
Rocky Hill	\$0	\$0	\$76	\$4	\$1,236	\$83	\$3	\$289	\$3	\$1,694
Simsbury	\$0	\$0	\$68	\$16	\$1,474	\$225	\$3	\$345	\$6	\$2,137
Somers	\$1	\$0	\$24	\$13	\$776	\$93	\$4	\$3	\$4	\$918
South Windsor	\$0	\$0	\$128	\$6	\$1,612	\$408	\$3	\$377	\$5	\$2,539
Southington	\$0	\$0	\$87	\$21	\$2,700	\$127	\$6	\$632	\$7	\$3,580
Stafford	\$1	\$0	\$30	\$22	\$819	\$32	\$4	\$4	\$8	\$920
Suffield	\$0	\$0	\$37	\$1	\$986	\$103	\$2	\$231	\$8	\$1,368
Tolland	\$1	\$0	\$34	\$6	\$1,020	\$141	\$5	\$4	\$5	\$1,216
Vernon	\$2	\$0	\$82	\$6	\$1,977	\$259	\$11	\$8	\$2	\$2,347
West Hartford	\$0	\$0	\$221	\$38	\$3,966	\$670	\$8	\$928	\$4	\$5,835
Wethersfield	\$0	\$0	\$75	\$11	\$1,672	\$132	\$4	\$391	\$2	\$2,287
Willington	\$0	\$0	\$12	\$6	\$409	\$24	\$2	\$2	\$4	\$459
Windsor	\$0	\$0	\$95	\$3	\$1,821	\$100	\$4	\$426	\$5	\$2,454
Windsor Locks	\$0	\$0	\$43	\$9	\$783	\$320	\$2	\$183	\$2	\$1,342
Total	\$9	\$0	\$3,116	\$444	\$61,827	\$6,345	\$164	\$12,106	\$170	\$84,181

Hurricanes and Tropical Storms

The Atlantic hurricane season extends from June 1 through November 30 each year. While the Capitol Region is spared the coastal storm surges associated with hurricanes, it is not immune from damaging winds and rain. According to the state's Hazard Mitigation Plan, a moderate Category II hurricane can be expected to hit Connecticut once every 23 to 30 years. A major Category III or IV hurricane may occur before 2040 based on 20th century trends.

In August 2011, Hurricane Irene, which was downgraded to a tropical storm before hitting Connecticut, caused widespread damage to the region and state. Irene was responsible for three deaths associated with flooding and downed wires from falling trees. According to *The Hartford Courant*, insurance companies paid out \$235 million on more than 60,000 claims in Connecticut related to damage from Irene. However, this figure does not include hundreds of millions more in uncovered expenses and cleanup costs for Connecticut's largest electric utility at the time, Connecticut Light and Power (now Eversource). At the height of the storm, some 754,000 residents were without power. Capitol Region

cities and towns were widely affected by downed trees, flooding, and power outages as a result of Irene. Many residents and businesses were without power for over a week. According to the Connecticut Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS), municipalities, and other local and private nonprofit agencies incurred expenses of over \$3.18 million due to Irene. The municipalities and agencies are eligible for reimbursement of 75% of these costs under FEMA's Public Assistance program.

CRCOG used FEMA's HAZUS-MH software to estimate the extent of physical damage and the economic losses to the region and our communities if we were hit with another hurricane with a 1% annual chance recurrence interval. The HAZUS-MH hurricane model primarily considers wind damage for inland areas such as the Capitol Region, which is not subject to storm surges. The model predicts the region could face economic losses of approximately \$512 million.

Floods

Flooding can occur as a result of other natural hazards such as heavy precipitation, hurricanes, winter storms, snow melt, ice jams, or dam failures. The Capitol Region's numerous rivers and streams, as well as its urbanized areas, make floods and flash floods a regular risk. Individuals and local governments face significant economic loss, risks to public safety, and degraded waterways from flooding. There is not a "flood season" per se in Connecticut; however, waterways are normally higher during spring and are thus especially vulnerable to flooding from intense precipitation. Significant flooding can also occur as a result of hurricanes and tropical storms. According to the 2014 Connecticut Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, major flooding of small rivers and loss of life can be expected every 5 to 10 years throughout the state. Major flooding of larger rivers, such as the Connecticut and Farmington, with loss of life and structural damage can be expected once every 30 years. Historic and widespread floods occurred in 1936, 1938, 1955, and 1982.

An analysis of claims filed under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in the Capitol Region demonstrates the potential for losses due to flooding. Since the program's inception, over 1,860 claims resulting in payments of nearly \$15.1 million have been filed in the Capitol Region as of January 2018. West Hartford has had the highest number of overall flood loss claims, followed by Farmington, New Britain, and Simsbury. Farmington and West Hartford have also had the highest overall flood loss payments.

Of these claims, 436 were repetitive loss claims (i.e., more than one claim over \$1,000 has been filed for flood damages to an insured building over a 10-year period). Approximately 144 properties have experienced repetitive losses in the Capitol Region. These losses have resulted in payments of approximately \$5.5 million. West Hartford has the highest number of repetitive flood claims, followed by Simsbury. Farmington, West Hartford, and Newington have had the highest repetitive flood loss payments.

To help assess the risks we face from major flooding, CRCOG used FEMA's HAZUS-MH loss estimation program to model the effects of flooding at the local level. The following table shows the damages each town in the region might face from a flood with a 1% probability of occurring in any given year (i.e., the 100-year flood) and the average annualized losses from a flood in any given year. As can be seen, losses due to a 1% annual chance flood could be particularly high for the communities of East Hartford and Vernon. Farmington and West Hartford are at the highest risk of receiving flood damage based on the annualized losses.

Significant areas of the Capitol Region are vulnerable to flooding. About 8.5%, or 56,827 acres, of the Capitol Region is located in floodplains. Over half of this land is zoned residential. Without restrictions on development in floodplains, lives and property are at risk.

Table ES-2. HAZUS-MH 1% Annual Chance Event and Annualized Losses due to Flood

Town	Total Losses (1% Annual Chance Flood)	Annualized Loss	Town	Total Losses (1% Annual Chance Flood)	Annualized Loss
Andover	\$7,873,000	\$604	Mansfield	\$30,104,000	\$21,012
Avon	\$69,855,000	\$4,336	Marlborough	\$9,538,000	\$3,072
Berlin	\$64,802,000	\$11,056	New Britain	\$33,351,000	\$25,570
Bloomfield	\$51,811,000	\$15,468	Newington	\$43,598,000	\$18,126
Bolton	\$1,193,000	\$319	Plainville	\$44,482,000	\$28,279
Canton	\$34,106,000	\$10,062	Rocky Hill	\$9,069,000	\$4,308
Columbia	\$23,278,000	\$817	Simsbury	\$48,070,000	\$16,181
Coventry	\$20,206,000	\$4,003	Somers	\$7,719,000	\$13,384
East Granby	\$7,882,000	\$1,892	South Windsor	\$67,123,000	\$6,145
East Hartford	\$141,861,000	\$14,434	Southington	\$64,141,000	\$20,510
East Windsor	\$35,996,000	\$7,939	Stafford	\$57,649,000	\$22,378
Ellington	\$14,633,000	\$2,197	Suffield	\$10,683,000	\$829
Enfield	\$57,001,000	\$24,479	Tolland	\$9,139,000	\$5,873
Farmington	\$78,659,000	\$39,353	Vernon	\$118,795,000	\$6,336
Glastonbury	\$94,366,000	\$5,044	West Hartford	\$88,125,000	\$38,288
Granby	\$11,670,000	\$3,231	Wethersfield	\$93,308,000	\$11,181
Hartford	\$60,966,000	\$31,832	Willington	\$3,971,000	\$6,145
Hebron	\$3,709,000	\$207	Windsor	\$89,805,000	\$2,991
Manchester	\$32,957,000	\$7,035	Windsor Locks	\$8,716,000	\$9,355

Dam Failure

Dams provide vital benefits to our region such as water supply, power generation, flood control, and recreation, but in the event of failure, they can pose a threat to lives and property. Dam failure can happen for a number of reasons including as a result of natural disasters such as structural failure due to earthquakes or overtopping due to heavy precipitation. Dams in Connecticut are regulated by the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP).

According to the DEEP, there are hundreds of dams in the Capitol Region. The majority of these are either Class A (low hazard) or Class AA (negligible hazard); failure of a Class A dam would lead to minimal economic loss and may cause damage to agricultural land or unpaved roadways while failure of a Class AA dam would cause negligible loss or damage. Dams of concern for hazard mitigation are those in classes BB, B, and C. In the Capitol Region, 61 dams are Class C, or high hazard, dams. Failure of a Class C dam would result in probable loss of life, major damage to habitable structures, damage to major highways, and great economic loss. There are 53 Class B, or significant hazard, dams in the Region. Failure in these dams would result in similar but less severe damage. Finally, there are 146 Class BB, or moderate hazard, dams in the region. Failure of one of these dams would result in damage to normally unoccupied structures or local roadways or would cause moderate economic loss; no loss of life would be expected. The state estimates there are nearly 12,000 people in Hartford County and 4,150 people in Tolland County within the mapped dam inundation areas of high and significant hazard dams. The

Capitol Region includes most of, although not all, the municipalities in Hartford and Tolland Counties, thus the regional population exposed to this risk is likely less than 2 percent.

Severe Winter Storms

Connecticut is subject to blizzards, ice storms, and nor'easters - storms characterized by strong, possibly damaging northeasterly winds. The Capitol Region receives an average annual snowfall of about 40" although snowfall amounts vary widely from year to year and can vary dramatically across the region in any given storm. Severe winter storms can result in damage to buildings and infrastructure, loss of life, and disruptions to regional transportation and communication systems. Half of all federal disaster declarations for Connecticut since 1954 have followed major winter or snowstorms. Federal assistance is frequently used to offset the snow/ice removal costs that the state and municipalities incur. For example, a federal emergency was declared for the February 11-12, 2006, snowstorm in several counties in Connecticut (including Hartford and Tolland) to help share the costs of snow removal. In 2011, FEMA obligated over \$74 million in Public Assistance funds to the State of Connecticut to reimburse state agencies, local governments, and eligible private nonprofit organizations for costs associated with the January 11-12, 2011, snowstorm and Storm Alfred in October. The frequency, intensity, and timing of winter storms dramatically impacts snow removal budgets. Storm Alfred was particularly costly for municipalities because of the heavy debris loads resulting from the high number of fully leafed trees downed in this storm. Municipalities also incur higher labor costs for snow removal on weekends and holidays.

Tornadoes/High Winds

Connecticut averages approximately three tornadoes every 2 years; however, in the first week and a half of July 2013 four tornadoes hit the state including three that touched down in the Capitol Region. Hartford and Litchfield Counties are at the highest risk for tornadoes within the state based on historical patterns and locations of their occurrence. Between 1950 and 2003, Hartford County experienced 14 tornadoes, and Tolland County experienced 10. Between 2006 and 2018, Connecticut experienced 23 tornadoes. Three of these were in Hartford County and two in Tolland County. The Capitol Region experienced three tornadoes in 2013. Four tornadoes severely impacted Connecticut during one storm in May 2018 although none were located in the Capitol Region. On October 2, 2018, an EF1 tornado touched down in New Canaan, and an EF-0 was reported in the Capitol Region in Mansfield.

Typically, tornadoes occur between April and October. High winds and microbursts (strong straight-line downburst winds) can also inflict damage to property and result in injuries.

One of the country's most destructive tornadoes touched down in Windsor Locks and Windsor on October 3, 1979. The F4 tornado had winds in excess of 200 miles per hour (mph) and tore an 11-mile path from Windsor to Suffield. The tornado killed 3 people, injured 500, and caused an estimated \$250 million (\$776,385,000 in 2011 dollars) in damage, in part because it struck the New England Air Museum, destroying several planes and hangars.

Earthquake

Connecticut has a moderate risk of earthquakes based on the frequency of their occurrence, not the intensity of individual earthquakes. Between 1568 and 1989, the state had 137 recorded earthquakes. The Capitol Region experienced 17 between 1837 and 2018. Of those where the magnitude was known, all were under magnitude 4.0. A strong earthquake centered in central Connecticut and thought to be 3.8 magnitude occurred on August 9, 1840.

Magnitude 3.0 to 3.9 earthquakes are often felt by people up to 100 miles away from the epicenter but rarely cause damage. Magnitude 4.0 to 4.9 earthquakes cause shaking of objects indoors but generally cause none to slight damage. Magnitude 5.0 to 5.9 earthquakes can cause moderate to major damage to poorly constructed buildings but none to slight damage to other buildings. Connecticut incorporated building codes for seismic activity into the state building code in 1992. There were no requirements prior to that. So, while the risk for a very damaging earthquake is relatively low in the region, some structures may be impacted by less intense earthquakes depending on the soil and integrity of the structure.

Using FEMA's HAZUS-MH software, CRCOG analyzed a probabilistic suite of earthquake scenarios to estimate the potential loss to property and life. Based on these scenarios, the annualized loss estimate for the region is \$3.1 million, with Hartford and West Hartford having the highest annualized losses based on their built-up environments.

These simulations highlight the significance of the location of the epicenter to the damages that could be expected. A moderately strong earthquake centered near a more populated, built-up area would be expected to result in considerably more damage than one located in a more remote area. Based on our history and geology, the Capitol Region's vulnerability to damaging earthquakes is low. The damages we are likely to face here from earthquakes are much lower than in other parts of the nation and world.

Drought

Droughts periodically occur in Connecticut and can have serious consequences. While a drought does not pose immediate threats to life and property, it can have severe economic, environmental and social consequences. A lack of precipitation can affect not only agricultural production but also tourism, water utilities, residential wells, businesses, and more. Connecticut experienced notable droughts in 1957, 1964-67, 1980-81, 2002, 2012, and 2015-16. The 2012 drought affected Hartford, Tolland, and Windham Counties from April 12 through April 24. According to the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Association (NOAA) Storm Events Database, rivers and streams were most affected as most ran at record low levels during the spring runoff season. The main impact of this meteorological drought was periods of very high fire danger.

A meteorological drought was most recently declared for 2015-16. During the 2015-16 drought, many water utilities imposed voluntary or mandatory water conservation and restriction measures on their customers. Such restrictions can impact customers including businesses. As the state's 2014 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan notes, predicting the future occurrences of drought within any given time period is difficult.

Forest and Wildland Fires

Forest or wildland fires can cause not only long-term damage to vegetation and ecosystems but also damage to developments, especially as residential development has increased in woodland areas. In the last 25 years, a few forest fires have occurred in the Capitol Region including a brush fire in April 1999 in Vernon, which burned about 40 acres and came within 100 feet of homes in a nearby neighborhood, and a fire in April 2005, which burned 8 acres along the Farmington River in Avon. The scale of these fires is much less than those experienced in the western and midwestern United States; nonetheless, forest fires here pose a risk to lives and property, especially at the urban/woodland interface.

Mitigation Strategy

To address the impacts of these natural hazards, the planning committee and local and regional staff reexamined the goals, objectives, and strategic mitigation activities proposed in the 2014 Plan as well as assessed our experiences with natural disasters of the last 5 years and considered input from the public and other stakeholders in order to develop a blueprint for better protecting our region over the next 5 years. Each mitigation action was prioritized, and responsible agencies, potential funding sources, and time frames for implementing the projects were identified. What follows is a brief outline of the regional and local strategies proposed.

Regional Goals, Objectives, and Mitigation Actions

Because of the regional nature of natural hazards and common concerns, some mitigation activities are better addressed at the regional level by CRCOG; however, the means to carry out certain activities may not be available to regional agencies but are available to municipalities. For example, CRCOG cannot enact laws and regulations, levy taxes, or enter into construction contracts. This section establishes our regional strategy for addressing natural hazards and sets out the mitigation actions that may best be undertaken by CRCOG on a regional level.

Goal: Minimize the loss of life and property and economic disruptions that can result from natural hazards.

Objective 1: Improve stormwater management and groundwater recharge throughout the region to prevent increased flooding and lessen the effects of drought.

Mitigation Actions:

- 1.1 Encourage all municipalities in the region to adopt regulations that incorporate or refer to recommended practices from the most current Connecticut *Stormwater Quality Manual*, Connecticut *Guidelines for Erosion and Sedimentation Control* and, in particular, those that promote low impact development and green infrastructure techniques. This will encourage development that is in harmony with natural drainage systems.
- 1.2 Foster improved understanding of the importance of stream management, maintenance of natural drainage channels, and use of green infrastructure practices among municipal staff, inland wetlands commissions, and planning and zoning commissions through education.

Objective 2: Assist municipalities in implementing hazard mitigation strategies.

Mitigation Actions:

- 2.1 Work with member municipalities to maintain this regional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan with updates at least every 5 years.
- 2.2 Annually notify communities of the opportunities to apply for mitigation funds under the PDM and FMA programs and notify communities of HMGP opportunities as applicable. Provide letters of support when appropriate.

- 2.3 Incorporate additional natural hazard mitigation concerns into the regional Plan of Conservation and Development if it is updated in 2019-2024, and provide specific instructions to municipalities to address natural hazard mitigation in local Plans of Conservation and Development as they are updated.
- 2.4 Encourage municipalities to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System by hosting an information workshop.

Objective 3: Assist municipalities in minimizing risks associated with power disruptions.

Mitigation Actions:

- 3.1 Encourage the installation of generators at critical facilities and in developments serving the elderly or special need populations, or development of microgrids to serve the same purpose, through outreach and associated work with local officials to determine which facilities still do not possess standby power but require it.

Objective 4: Assist municipalities in minimizing risks associated with droughts.

Mitigation Actions:

- 4.1 Assist municipalities that do not currently have drought ordinances in enacting such ordinances to enable the enforcement of water conservation, and assist with messaging and notifications regarding droughts. These actions should be consistent with guidance resulting from implementation of the State Water Plan (2018) and the Coordinated Water System Plan (2018) as well as the updated Connecticut Drought Preparedness and Response Plan.

Municipal Goals, Objectives, and Mitigation Actions

Each of the 38 municipalities in the Capitol Region also reassessed its goals, objectives, and strategic mitigation actions from the 2014 Plan and developed a new strategic course of action for the upcoming 5 years. While many are unique to the individual communities, there are commonalities among the actions proposed, and most communities have proposed a range of activities including public education and awareness; natural resource protection; plans, studies, and regulatory actions; structural projects and modifications to buildings, facilities, and infrastructure; as well as measures to improve preparedness and emergency response.

Table ES-3: Summary of Types of Mitigation Projects Proposed by Community

Mitigation Project Type	Education & Awareness	Natural Resources Protection	Preparedness & Emergency Response	Prevention	Structural Projects	Property Protection
Andover	5	1	7	3	2	1
Avon	2	1	5	4	1	3

Mitigation Project Type	Education & Awareness	Natural Resources Protection	Preparedness & Emergency Response	Prevention	Structural Projects	Property Protection
Berlin	5	1	7	3	2	1
Bloomfield	2	1	5	4	1	3
Bolton	2	1	2	3	2	4
Canton	7	2	5	5	0	4
Columbia	5	1	8	5	7	1
Coventry	3	1	4	2	1	4
Coventry	3	2	2	1	4	2
East Granby	3	1	7	11	8	2
East Hartford	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Windsor	3	2	5	4	0	2
Ellington	4	1	4	6	1	4
Enfield	4	2	5	3	3	2
Farmington	2	1	2	3	1	1
Glastonbury	3	1	1	2	1	3
Granby	3	1	3	3	2	4
Hartford	5	1	0	5	2	3
Hebron	7	4	5	9	3	2
Manchester	3	1	3	2	2	3
Mansfield	2	1	1	5	1	1
Marlborough	4	1	1	1	2	5
New Britain	8	1	7	6	3	3
Newington	2	1	3	2	1	2
Plainville	6	1	3	4	5	3
Rocky Hill	2	1	2	5	0	3
Simsbury	6	2	9	12	6	3
Somers	2	0	0	1	1	3
South Windsor	4	2	2	7	8	4
Southington	5	1	5	2	3	2
Stafford	4	1	7	3	1	4
Suffield	4	1	5	3	1	3
Tolland	2	1	6	1	3	1
Vernon	4	1	1	4	0	1
West Hartford	6	1	4	3	6	1
Wethersfield	2	1	3	1	2	4

Mitigation Project Type	Education & Awareness	Natural Resources Protection	Preparedness & Emergency Response	Prevention	Structural Projects	Property Protection
Wilmington	4	1	10	6	3	5
Windsor	2	1	3	3	11	5
Windsor Locks	4	1	5	7	2	1

Table ES-4: Summary by Community of Mitigation Projects for Each Goal

Hazard Mitigation Goal	Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure.	Ensure Municipal Codes and Regulations support hazard mitigation.	Improve institutional awareness and understanding of natural hazard impacts and mitigation within municipal governments and other decision-making bodies.	Increase the use of natural, "green," or "soft" hazard mitigation measures such as open space preservation and green infrastructure.	Improve the resilience of local and regional utilities and infrastructure using strategies including adaptation, hardening, and creating redundancies.	Improve public outreach, education, and warning systems.	Improve the emergency response capabilities of the region and its communities.	Ensure community character and social equity are addressed in mitigation activities.	Minimize the economic impact of hazard damages.
Andover	2	0	3	1	2	3	6	2	0
Avon	2	0	1	1	4	2	4	2	0
Berlin	4	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	0
Bloomfield	3	1	3	2	2	6	5	1	0
Bolton	12	0	1	1	4	5	4	1	0
Canton	6	0	1	1	0	2	4	1	0
Columbia	6	0	1	1	1	2	2	1	0
Coventry	6	0	4	2	8	1	8	3	0
Coventry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Granby	1	0	3	2	3	1	5	1	0
East Hartford	6	0	5	1	1	2	4	1	0
East Windsor	4	0	2	3	0	2	6	2	0

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Ellington	1	0	2	1	2	1	2	1	0	
Enfield	4	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	
Farmington	5	0	3	1	1	1	3	2	0	
Glastonbury	3	4	1	2	1	4	0	1	0	
Granby	5	5	3	3	3	4	5	2	0	
Hartford	5	0	1	1	1	1	3	2	0	
Hebron	3	1	1	1	0	1	3	1	0	
Manchester	4	1	2	1	2	3	0	1	0	
Mansfield	6	1	3	3	3	8	3	1	0	
Marlborough	3	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	0	
New Britain	8	1	2	2	2	4	1	2	0	
Newington	3	0	1	1	2	1	4	1	0	
Plainville	8	4	4	4	4	5	8	1	0	
Rocky Hill	2	0	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	
Simsbury	10	3	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	
Somers	2	2	1	1	2	5	3	1	1	
South Windsor	4	0	2	1	4	3	5	1	0	
Southington	3	2	1	1	0	2	6	2	0	
Stafford	2	0	1	2	1	3	4	1	0	
Suffield	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	
Tolland	4	1	2	1	3	4	5	1	0	
Vernon	5	0	1	1	0	1	3	1	1	
West Hartford	7	1	3	1	2	2	10	2	1	
Wethersfield	16	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	

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Willington	5	2	2	2	2	2	4	1	0
Windsor	4	2	2	0	4	2	4	0	0
Windsor Locks	2	1	1	1	12	3	4	1	0

Planning Process

The update planning process began in 2017 when FEMA awarded CROG a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Planning Grant to update its multi-jurisdictional natural hazard mitigation plan. This Plan Update was developed in collaboration with CREPC, the region's 38 municipalities, and DESPP/DEMHS. As in 2013-2014, ESF-5 Emergency Management served as the planning committee for the update process and provided guidance to the project. A consultant (Milone & MacBroom, Inc. of Cheshire, Connecticut) was retained to provide technical support and coordinate efforts to involve officials from each town. Milone & MacBroom, Inc. assembled a team of subconsultants (Dewberry, Jamie Caplan Consulting, and Punchard Consulting) working on state and local hazard mitigation plans in Connecticut in parallel with the CROG planning process to provide its expertise and input. Finally, members of the public were provided opportunities to provide input throughout the development of the Plan Update.

The hazards included in the planning process in 2017-2018 were those profiled and analyzed 5 years earlier. Importantly, they were the same as the hazards included in the 2014 Connecticut Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and its update (to be adopted in 2019).

As the hazards analyses were undertaken, the consultant team led meetings with municipal officials to initiate updates to individual city and town plans. These meetings were held in each of the 38 municipalities and included local staff from a variety of departments including administration, planning, emergency management, police, fire, public health, public works, and engineering. In some towns, citizens and elected officials also participated. The consultant team conducted the following meetings

locally over a 5-month period (November 2017 through March 2018) with municipal officials to conduct the local update process:

Table ES-5: Summary of Local Planning Meeting Dates and Attendance

Municipality	Local Planning Meeting Date
Andover	3/29/2018
Avon	1/16/2018
Berlin	11/9/2017
Bloomfield	12/20/2017
Bolton	2/16/2018
Canton	12/6/2017
Columbia	2/16/2018
Coventry	12/18/2017
East Granby	12/14/2017
East Hartford	1/18/2018
East Windsor	11/28/2017
Ellington	1/16/2018
Enfield	2/26/2018
Farmington	1/12/2018
Glastonbury	12/20/2017
Granby	12/14/2017
Hartford	12/13/2017
Hebron	2/13/2018
Manchester	12/20/2017
Mansfield	12/13/2017
Marlborough	2/6/2018
New Britain	11/27/2017
Newington	11/9/2017
Plainville	11/6/2017
Rocky Hill	11/10/2017
Simsbury	12/19/2017
Somers	11/20/2017
South Windsor	12/20/2017
Southington	11/14/2017
Stafford	3/29/2018
Suffield	11/28/2017
Tolland	1/10/2018
Vernon	1/11/2018
West Hartford	11/29/2017
Wethersfield	12/5/2017
Willington	2/13/2018
Windsor	12/18/2017
Windsor Locks	12/11/2017

To review prior goals, objectives, and actions and to strategize about new mitigation initiatives, CRCOG and the consultant team sought the advice of the CREPC planning committee at workshops held on January 23, March 27, and September 12, 2018. The meetings were attended by municipal officials from most of the Capitol Region communities as well as representatives from DEEP, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and the Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation (CIRCA). The consultant team presented and described mitigation success stories; a number of proposed mitigation initiatives with assistance from DEEP, SHPO, and CIRCA; and reported on additional strategies/actions based on our findings and discussions with local officials at the individual municipal meetings. These meetings led to the new initiatives described in this update such as the historic resources resiliency, addressing spills from small businesses, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) stormwater registration compliance, regional critical facilities, etc.

A variety of means were used to inform the public of the planning process and to gain public input on hazards, areas and issues of concern, and mitigation measures. These specific outreach efforts include public meetings, web postings, and an internet-based public survey. From the survey and public meetings, we found there is strong support for: 1) activities that will mitigate and accelerate recovery from, damage to utilities, infrastructure, and critical facilities (especially the power grid); 2) providing assistance to vulnerable populations; and 3) public education and outreach, public warning system improvements, and emergency response trainings. There is less support for mitigation actions involving floodproofing, drought ordinances, and building-earthquake analysis. Natural and recreational resource recovery, as well as tourism and business recovery, are the lowest priorities for most respondents.

Plan Implementation and Maintenance

Upon approval of the Plan Update by FEMA, each municipality's governing body as well as CRCOG's Policy Board will need to formally adopt the Plan Update. CREPC will also be asked to append this plan to the Regional Emergency Support Plan (RESP).

Implementation of the strategies contained within this plan will depend largely on the availability of resources. Each municipality and CRCOG will have to consider the costs, availability of funding, and impacts of each strategy individually. The CRCOG Policy Development & Planning Department will be responsible for regional strategies and coordination with CRCOG Public Safety staff. The planning subcommittee of CREPC (ESF-5), which provided guidance to this project, will monitor progress on its implementation with assistance from CRCOG staff. The subcommittee will conduct annual outreach to municipalities to ascertain progress on proposed mitigation actions.

For more information on natural hazard mitigation planning, please visit CRCOG's website – <http://crcoq.org/2016/05/30/natural-hazards-mitigation-planning/>.



17 Hartford

Community Overview

Hartford, Connecticut's capital city, is an urban community centrally located within the Region. It has a land area of 17.3 square miles and an estimated population of nearly 125,000. The elevation ranges from approximately 30 to 150 feet above sea level. Hartford drains to the Connecticut River to the east and the Park River to the west. Other watercourses in the City include Cemetery and Gully Brooks. Interstates 91 and 84 intersect in Hartford. State routes 44, 187 and 189 also traverse the City. An Amtrak commuter rail line and the Hartford Line commuter rail each stop in the City, and CTfastrak, a regional Bus Rapid Transit System, has stations in Hartford.

Hartford is home to the Capitol and numerous state facilities. Brainard Airport is located in the southeastern corner of the City. Numerous industries and businesses operate throughout Hartford, including many insurance companies. The City also houses three major hospitals: Hartford, Connecticut Children's, and St. Francis. The City is also home to Trinity College and the University of Hartford. The University of Connecticut and University of St. Joseph have branches in the Downtown area. Hartford attracts visitors throughout the year to its historic, arts and cultural venues including the Convention Center, XL Center, Dunkin' Donuts Park, Riverfront Recapture, Comcast Music Theater, Wadsworth Athenaeum, Connecticut Science Center, Old State House, Mark Twain and Harriet Beecher Stowe Houses, and Bushnell Center for Performing Arts.

Critical Facilities

Critical Facilities throughout the Capitol Region are listed in Appendix B. In Hartford these include the Emergency Operations Center, housed at the Fire Headquarters. The Fire Chief is also the Emergency Management Director and the Local Coordinator for this plan.

Capabilities

Hazard mitigation is addressed specifically in Hartford's Plan of Conservation and Development.

The Army Corps of Engineers built a dike in Hartford along the Connecticut River following historic floods in 1936 and 1938. The City has maintained the levee system for 80 years, and has a capital improvement program (CIP) specifically devoted to the system. CIP projects undertaken in the past include rip-rap repair, vegetation removal, animal burrow repair, construction of access roads, system testing and analysis, pump-station generator replacement, backstop installation, valve operator replacement, sediment removal, dredging, monitoring instrument installation, and drainage improvements. The flood control system is an Accredited Levee under FEMA's map modernization project.

Hartford has not approved any building construction within the 1% annual chance floodplain and has undertaken significant work since 2008 to reduce its vulnerability to flooding as detailed in the list below:

The Metropolitan District Commission's (MDC) Clean Water Project and new, statewide MS4 Stormwater Drainage requirements, pose significant opportunities and challenges for the City. As planning for the separation of storm water and sewer lines in the City and region, much of which discharges to the Connecticut River in Hartford, moves forward, it is critical for the City to monitor potential impacts on flood control infrastructure.

Hartford has fourteen Neighborhood Revitalization Zone (NRZ) Committees that meet regularly as part of "Hartford 2000," a coalition with a mission to "strengthen the collective power of the NRZs and to serve as an advocate for neighborhood issues." City personnel feel these NRZs are a good way to reach the public in Hartford; Fire and Police personnel attend these meetings.

Hartford has a Flood Commission charged with ongoing management of Hartford's flood risks. The City has two private consulting companies on-call to provide continuing services to Hartford regarding flood control.

New Capabilities

The Flood Commission, with assistance from the consultants, recently prepared two submittals for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: a System Wide Improvement Framework (SWIF) and a Semi-Qualitative Risk Assessment (SQRA). Both are under review.

The City recently fixed a problem with the Weston Street culvert which was clogged and would not function properly. The City has switched from using sand to using a salt-sand mix for road de-icing, decreasing issues related to drainage system clogging.

In recent years Hartford has implemented new initiatives and completed projects that mitigate hazards, each of which is highlighted in more detail in the Multi-Jurisdictional HMP. These are:

- The City of Hartford Climate Action Plan, which sets forth environmental stewardship initiatives in six action areas: energy, food, landscape, transportation, waste, and water.
- Green Infrastructure Zoning Regulations that promote environmental sustainability in new development, including reducing threats to water quality from stormwater runoff.
- The Hartford Boathouse was designed to allow flood waters into the lower boat-storage level using flood grates and flood-resistant materials. Critical systems are located on the second level. The building also has a community and function room.
- The Parkville Microgrid is a natural gas powered fuel cell that is able to power a school, senior center, library, health center, gas station, and grocery store in a power outage. The system feeds excess energy back into the regional grid under normal conditions.

It is likely that in the coming years towns on the Park River upstream of Hartford will perform maintenance activities for the river; CT DEEP has contacted these Towns to inform them that



maintenance will be required. Funding and resources for such maintenance has not yet been sourced, so it is unclear what the timeframe for improvements will be. It is important to note that the impact of maintenance on Hartford's flood risk is not clear at this point.

Hartford was awarded the Silver Certification level within the SustainableCT program in October 2018.

Challenges

Challenges Overview

Historically, Hartford has suffered significant losses from flooding and continues to be vulnerable to the risks posed by flooding.

Hazard Losses

The economic losses faced by Hartford from natural hazards can be estimated by reviewing historic, and modeling future, loss figures. Loss estimates are summarized below.

Historic FEMA Payments

FEMA reimburses communities for hazard losses through programs including Public Assistance (PA) and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Combining PA and private flood insurance payments can give an estimate for total losses to a community.

The NFIP has paid 52 property damage claims in Hartford totaling \$656,509 to-date. Hartford has had 11 Repetitive Loss (RL) Property claims to-date on three properties with payments totaling \$117,755.

Total PA reimbursements to the community were as follows:

- Flood Events: \$276,561 (\$14,556 annually)
- Hurricane Events: \$773,573 (\$40,714 annually)
- Winter Storm Events: \$17,295,315 (\$910,280 annually)

These are summarized in the tables below.

Table 17-1: Flood Event PA Reimbursements, Hartford

Incident	Sep 1999	Oct 2005
Declaration	9/23/1999	12/16/2005
Disaster No.	1302	1619
Entity	FEMA PA Reimbursement	
State	\$92,630	\$51,987
Municipal	\$65,979	\$0
Nonprofit	\$0	\$65,965
Total	\$158,609	\$117,952
Annualized	\$8,348	\$6,208



Table 17-2: Hurricane Wind Event PA Reimbursements, Hartford

Incident	Aug - Sep 2011 (T.S. Irene)	Oct - Nov 2012 (Storm Sandy)
Declaration	9/2/2011	10/30/2012
Disaster #	4023	4087
Entity	FEMA PA Reimbursement	
State	\$358,574	\$117,578
Municipal	\$240,798	\$0
Nonprofit	\$56,623	\$0
Total	\$655,995	\$117,578
Annualized	\$34,526	\$6,188

Table 17-3: Winter Storm PA Reimbursements, Hartford

Incident	Mar 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2005	Feb 2006	Jan 2011	Oct 2011	Feb 2013
Declaration	3/11/03	1/15/04	2/17/05	5/2/06	3/3/11	11/17/11	3/21/13
Disaster #	3176	3192	3200	3266	1958	4046	4106
Entity	FEMA PA Reimbursement						
State	\$298,900	\$237,901	\$294,637	\$340,113	\$422,927	\$5,717,066	\$795,677
Municipal	\$218,122	\$190,502	\$251,403	\$316,330	\$326,283	\$5,121,195	\$2,191,316
Nonprofit	\$12,121	\$14,357	\$22,366	\$12,162	\$45,324	\$282,277	\$184,337
Total	\$529,143	\$442,759	\$568,406	\$668,605	\$794,533	\$11,120,538	\$3,171,330
Annualized	\$27,850	\$23,303	\$29,916	\$35,190	\$41,818	\$585,291	\$166,912

National Centers for Environmental Information Losses

The table below summarizes events in the National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI) severe storm database that were specifically noted as having impacted the community since 2012.

Table 17-4: NCEI Database Losses since 2012, Hartford

Date	Event	Property Damage
6/22/2012	Thunderstorm Wind	\$15,000
6/22/2012	Flood	\$0
7/7/2013	Thunderstorm Wind	\$30,000
7/10/2013	Flash Flood	\$3,000
11/1/2013	Thunderstorm Wind	*\$8,300
2/25/2016	Thunderstorm Wind	\$15,000
10/24/2017	Flood	\$0
Total Thunderstorm		\$68,300
Total Flood		\$3,000

* Damages from storm divided between multiple communities



NCEI losses under other event categories (such as drought, high wind, flooding, and winter storms) were not specifically noted as impacting this community, though they did impact Hartford County and nearby towns. NCEI losses are reported in Section II of this Plan.

HAZUS-MH Losses

CRCOG used FEMA’s Hazus-MH model to analyze the risks that the community might face from flooding, hurricanes, and earthquakes. The model estimates economic losses due to damage to buildings and building contents, as well as other economic disruptions. Both residential and commercial structures are addressed. Losses from different hazards are summarized below. Where available, estimates from the previous and current versions of the HMP are provided side-by-side; differences between the two may have been caused by a combination of the following:

- Changes in methodology: such as hazard zone mapping
- Changes in data: such as population and property values
- Changes in the model: this HMP utilized Hazus-MH version 4.0 rather than 2.1
- Other factors: inherent in a complex software like Hazus-MH

More details are available in the Multi-Jurisdictional HMP. Ultimately, changes in the loss estimates reflect the reality that small differences in hazard event features can have a significant impact on losses incurred.

Table 17-5: Estimated Damages to Hartford from a 1% Annual-Chance Flood

Loss Type	2014 Results	2018 Results
Households Displaced	812	441
People Needing Shelter	2,034	984
Buildings at Least Moderately Damaged	61	1
All Building Loss		\$21,159,886
All Content Loss		\$39,035,955
Residential Building & Content Losses	\$38,770,000	\$30,312,678
Other Building & Content Losses	\$165,740,000	\$29,881,786
Total Building & Content Loss	\$204,510,000	\$60,194,463
Total Business Interruption Losses	\$1,950,000	\$1,435,037
TOTAL	\$206,450,000	\$61,629,500

Losses were calculated from a modeled probabilistic earthquake (1% annual-chance of occurrence), as well as for four specific scenarios with epicenters around Connecticut.



Table 17-6: Estimated Damages to Hartford from a 1% Annual-Chance Hurricane

Loss Type	2014 Results (1938 event)	2018 Results (1% track)
Buildings at Least Moderately Damaged	3134	7
Buildings Completely Damaged	58	1
Total Debris Generated (tons)	88,973	11487
Truckloads (at 25 tons/truck) of building debris	2820	459
Economic Losses		
Residential Building & Content Losses	\$343,675,000	\$43,308,799
Other Building & Content Losses	\$140,680,000	\$3,923,419
Total Building & Content Loss	\$484,355,000	\$47,232,218
Total Business Interruption Losses	\$80,175,000	\$4,561,075
TOTAL LOSSES	\$564,530,000	\$51,793,293

Table 17-7: Estimated Damages to Hartford from a Probabilistic Earthquake

Loss Type	2018 Results
Wage Loss	\$28,753
Rent Loss	\$28,358
Relocation Loss	\$39,064
Income Loss	\$21,579
Inventory Loss	\$1,380
Total Business Disruption	\$119,133
Structural Loss	\$68,628
Non-Structural Loss	\$209,683
Total Building Loss	\$278,311
Total Content Loss	\$80,103
TOTAL LOSSES	\$477,547

Table 17-8: Estimated Damages to Hartford from Modeled Earthquake Scenarios

Epicenter Location	Magnitude	Estimated Total Losses
East Haddam	6.4	\$3,297,825.23
Haddam	5.7	\$753,818.68
Portland	5.7	\$3,971,143.17
Stamford	5.7	\$49,519.13

Average Annualized Losses

Average Annualized Loss (AAL) figures are useful tools for comparison of the risks faced from different hazards with different likelihoods of occurring in a given time period. AAL estimates were prepared for the community based on the methodologies discussed in Section II of the Multi-Jurisdictional HMP. Dam failure, drought, tornado, and wildfire losses were sourced from the 2014 Connecticut Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, with dam failure data supplemented by the National Performance of Dams Program and the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection. Earthquake and hurricane losses were calculated in HAZUS-MH. Losses for flooding came from NFIP claims, for winter storms from Public Assistance Reimbursements, and for thunderstorms from the NCEI database. These are



presented in the table below in dollars per year. Note that Hurricanes and Tropical Storms represent the largest share of total annualized losses.

Table 17-9: Average Annualized Losses, Hartford

Dam Failure	Drought	Earthquakes	Flooding	Hurricanes and Tropical Storms	Severe Winter Storms	Thunderstorms	Tornadoes	Wildfires	Total
\$223	\$0	\$477,547	\$31,832	\$7,821,964	\$910,280	\$16,572	\$1,830,682	\$3,230	\$11,092,331

Losses Summary

A review of the above loss estimates demonstrates that the City of Hartford has experienced significant expenses as a result of natural hazards, and is at risk for additional losses if some of the less-frequent events were to occur. These actual and potential losses justify hazard mitigation actions to reduce losses in the future.

Mitigation Strategies and Actions

Noted Hazard Mitigation Needs

During the course of this Plan development, specific hazard mitigation needs were noted.

- There is a need for more table-top drills to practice different emergency scenarios. Implementing a more frequent drill schedule may help address this issue.
- A culvert at New Park Avenue near a tire facility that needs attention.
- Many drainage swales that are clogged with sand from years when the City used sand for deicing need to be cleared.
- The City of Hartford owns Batterson Park in Farmington and is responsible for the levee EOP; this needs to be developed.

Status of Previous Mitigation Strategies and Actions

The City of Hartford reviewed the mitigation actions proposed in the 2014-2019 Capitol Region Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Update and determined the status of each. That information is included in the table below.

Table 17-10: Status of Previous Mitigation Strategies and Actions, Hartford

Action #	Action	Notes	Status
GOAL: REDUCE LOSS OF LIFE, PROPERTY AND ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES AS A RESULT OF NATURAL DISASTERS			
Objective 1: Reduce the likelihood of flooding by improving existing natural and artificial drainage systems.			
1.1	Pursue priority drainage projects identified in Capital Improvement Plan.	This is an established and sustained effort. Work is expected to be undertaken annually contingent upon availability of funding.	Capability



Action #	Action	Notes	Status
Objective 2: Address combined sewer overflows. The MDC has made systematic improvements to the sewer systems within city limits to address overflow issues consistent with heavy rains.			
2.1	Continue to participate in the MDC's Clean Water Project planning process.	This is an established and sustained effort. Staff will continue participation in periodic meetings with MDC.	Capability
2.2	Ensure that the City's flood control pump stations can handle changes that may result from MDC measures to address combined sewer overflows.	This is an established and sustained effort. Reviews are conducted as information becomes available.	Capability
Objective 3: Ensure proper maintenance of flood control system. The City's DPW has a detailed plan for maintaining the existing flood control systems.			
3.1	Continue to implement necessary repairs and upgrades required by FEMA and the Army Corps of Engineers to retain certification.	This is an established and sustained effort.	Capability
3.2	Update the flood control system maintenance manual.	This is an established and sustained effort. Periodic updates will be made as needed.	Capability
3.3	Train City employees, according to the updated manual, in proper maintenance techniques.	Delayed as flood control system was updated. Now that manual update is complete, carry forward	Carry Forward
3.4	Upgrade flood control facilities to automate warning systems and as many other features as possible to increase safety.	Deferred due to lack of resources. This action is dropped and replaced by a new action to implement the recommendations of the System Wide Improvement Framework and Semi-Qualitative Risk Assessment for the Hartford Flood Control System.	Drop
Objective 4: Develop system for identifying and addressing potential debris hazards. The Department of Public Works has contingent plans and resources to address potential post-storm debris issues and is working with the State's Interagency Debris Management Task Force CCM Municipal Management Bulletin #13-24.			
4.1	Pursue priority debris related projects, especially along the North Branch of the Park River, identified in the Capital Improvement Plan	This is an established and sustained effort.	Capability
4.2	Inspect and clean Park River relief conduit.	This is an established and sustained effort.	Capability
Objective 5: Improve the ability of emergency responders to prepare and respond to natural disasters. Hartford Fire Department's Department Directive titled "Storm Warnings and Preparedness" (DD 4.1 EOP) directly addresses the preparation levels necessary to effectively organize and respond to natural disasters. CRCOG's Regional Emergency Support Plan (RESP Plan) also provides preparedness and response direction.			
5.1	Continue with National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Management Team training, with a particular focus on response to natural disasters.	This is an established and sustained effort.	Capability
5.2	Investigate communications systems that will allow for emergency personnel to communicate in currently uncovered areas, and will facilitate interdepartmental communications along the flood control system.	System is upgraded continuously.	Capability



Action #	Action	Notes	Status
5.3	Research, identify means, including potential acquisition of public address systems, for facilitating communications with residents, especially those in low-income areas vulnerable to disasters.	The City takes full advantage of social media (twitter, Facebook) plus outreach through the NRZ groups and the four CERT teams	Completed
Objective 6: Improve the ability of emergency responders to serve special needs populations during natural disasters. The Hartford Fire Department's Special Services division in conjunction with the City of Hartford's CERT team have prepared and trained to address this specific issue. CRCOG's Regional Emergency Support Plan (RESP Plan) also provides preparedness and response direction.			
6.1	Take full advantage of the Reverse-911 system.	City utilizes Reverse-911 system effectively. This is a capability	Capability
6.2	Continue training for evacuation of special needs populations.	Each Fire Station maintains lists of special needs populations and is an area of refuge.	Capability
6.3	Support regional assessments of how to identify, maintain and use databases of special needs populations.	The FD Special Services Unit works with the City Health Department to do this	Capability
Objective 7: Improve emergency communications to residents prior to and during natural disasters. Hartford Fire Department has several communication methods in place such as Twitter, Facebook, Social Media, Media, Everbridge Notification System, as well as a new method soon to be implemented utilizing a smart phone app.			
7.1	Continue to offer educational forums for residents on personal emergency planning.	14 NRZ and four CERT meetings are regularly occurring	Capability
7.2	Consider applying to FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS) program to help reduce flood insurance premiums for property owners.	City has considered this but is not interested at this time.	Drop
Objective 8: Ensure ability of City to safely shelter in place, and when necessary, evacuate residents and visitors. The City has several shelters in place to serve as gathering points in an emergency. The Hartford Fire Department's Special Services division in conjunction with the City of Hartford's CERT team have prepared and trained to address this specific issue. CRCOG's Regional Emergency Support Plan (RESP Plan) also provides preparedness and response direction.			
8.1	Participate in local and regional hurricane evacuation training.	City participates in such trainings. This is a capability	Capability
GOAL: ENSURE THE ABILITY TO DISTRIBUTE COMMODITIES.			
Objective 9: Improve viability of food commodities during natural disasters. The Hartford Fire Department's Special Services division in conjunction with the City of Hartford's CERT team have prepared and trained to address this specific issue. CRCOG's Regional Emergency Support Plan (RESP Plan) also provides preparedness and response direction. The City's Board of Education also has a plan to address this issue.			
9.1	Maintain refrigeration for perishable food items.	The Fire Department Special Services Unit works with the City Health Department to complete this action. This is a capability	Capability

Active Mitigation Strategies and Actions

The City proposed to initiate several new mitigation actions for the upcoming five years. Additionally, a number of actions from the previous planning period are being carried forward or replaced with revised actions. These are listed below.



Each of the following actions has been prioritized based on FEMA guidelines, listed from highest to lowest priority, and numbered.

Action #1

Develop an EAP for the Batterson Park levee in Farmington & provide it to the Town of Farmington.

Goal	7. Improve the emergency response capabilities of the region and its communities
Category	Preparedness & Emergency Response
Lead	Emergency Management
Cost	\$25,000 - \$50,000
Funding	Grants
Timeframe	01/2020 - 12/2020
Priority	High

Action #2

Supplement or replace the generators at the city's Fire Houses to support their roles as emergency places of refuge.

Goal	7. Improve the emergency response capabilities of the region and its communities
Category	Preparedness & Emergency Response
Lead	Fire Department
Cost	More than \$100,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget / DEMHS
Timeframe	07/2022 - 06/2023
Priority	High

Action #3

Conduct outreach to local small businesses with the aim of preventing the accidental release and pollution from chemicals stored and used at their facilities during or following natural hazard events.

Goal	6. Improve public outreach, education, and warning systems
Category	Education & Awareness
Lead	Planning, in coordination with DEEP
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	Materials & Resources Provided by CT DEEP
Timeframe	01/2019 - 12/2019
Priority	Medium



Action #4

Coordinate with NEMO and CROG to share resources and gain technical support for hazard mitigation actions involving stormwater management and public outreach, which have parallel benefits related to MS4 stormwater permit compliance.

Goal	1. Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure
Category	Prevention
Lead	Public Works
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget
Timeframe	01/2020 - 12/2020
Priority	Medium

Action #5

Participate in EMI courses or the seminars and annual conference held by the Connecticut Association of Flood Managers.

Goal	3. Improve institutional awareness and understanding of natural hazard impacts and mitigation within municipal governments and other decision-making bodies
Category	Education & Awareness
Lead	Planning
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget
Timeframe	07/2019 - 06/2024
Priority	Medium

Action #6

Work with MDC to identify potential hazard mitigation actions for MDC facilities, and list those actions in the next HMP Update.

Goal	5. Improve the resilience of local and regional utilities and infrastructure using strategies including adaptation, hardening, and creating redundancies.
Category	Property Protection
Lead	Public Works
Cost	\$10,000 - \$25,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget / DEMHS
Timeframe	07/2020 - 06/2022
Priority	Medium



Action #7

Determine the best course for addressing drainage issues at the culvert on New Park Avenue near the fire facility. Complete the determined action or include it in the next plan.

Goal	1. Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure
Category	Structural Projects
Lead	Public Works
Cost	More than \$100,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget / Grants
Timeframe	07/2022 - 06/2024
Priority	Medium

Action #8

Complete implementation of System Wide Improvement Framework and Semi-Qualitative Risk Assessment for the Hartford Flood Control System, submitted to USACE in 2018.

Goal	1. Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure
Category	Structural Projects
Lead	Public Works
Cost	More than \$100,000
Funding	Grants
Timeframe	07/2022 - 06/2024
Priority	Medium

Action #9

Contact the owners of Repetitive Loss Properties and nearby properties at risk to inquire about mitigation undertaken and suggest options for mitigating flooding in those areas. This should be accomplished with a letter directly mailed to each property owner.

Goal	1. Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure
Category	Property Protection
Lead	Planning
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget / DEMHS
Timeframe	07/2021 - 06/2022
Priority	Low



Action #10

Coordinate with CT SHPO to conduct outreach to historic property owners to educate them on methods of retrofitting their properties to be more hazard-resilient while maintaining historic character.

Goal	8. Ensure community character and social equity are addressed in mitigation activities
Category	Education & Awareness
Lead	Planning, in coordination with SHPO
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	SHPO
Timeframe	01/2021 - 12/2022
Priority	Low

Action #11

Make progress with the hazard mitigation goals associated with SustainableCT certified actions.

Goal	4. Increase the use of natural, "green," or "soft" hazard mitigation measures, such as open space preservation and green infrastructure.
Category	Natural Resources Protection
Lead	Planning
Cost	\$0 - \$10,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget
Timeframe	07/2021 - 06/2022
Priority	Low

Action #12

Coordinate with CT SHPO to conduct historic resource surveys, focusing on areas within natural hazard risk zones (such as flood or wildfire hazard zones and areas near steep slopes), to support identification of vulnerable historic properties and preparation of resiliency plans across the state. This action leverages existing resources and best practices for protection of historic and cultural resources through an ongoing statewide initiative by CT SHPO.

Goal	8. Ensure community character and social equity are addressed in mitigation activities
Category	Property Protection
Lead	Planning, in coordination with SHPO
Cost	\$10,000 - \$25,000
Funding	SHPO
Timeframe	07/2021 - 06/2023
Priority	Low



Action #13

**Conduct tabletop natural hazard emergency response drills with local departments more frequently.
Ensure multiple hazard scenarios are drilled.**

Goal	7. Improve the emergency response capabilities of the region and its communities
Category	Preparedness & Emergency Response
Lead	Emergency Management
Cost	\$25,000 - \$50,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget / DEMHS
Timeframe	01/2023 - 12/2024
Priority	Low

Action #14

Increase DPW budget or personnel to allow for proper maintenance of drainage swales.

Goal	1. Minimize the impact of natural hazards on physical buildings and infrastructure
Category	Prevention
Lead	Public Works
Cost	More than \$100,000
Funding	Town Operating Budget
Timeframe	01/2024 - 12/2024
Priority	Low



**Capitol Region Natural Hazards
Mitigation Plan Update**




Hartford, Connecticut

Flood Plains, Dams
& Critical Facilities




Critical Facilities

-  Fire Station
-  Police Station
-  School
-  Healthcare Facility
-  State Facility
-  Town Facility
-  Waste Water Facility
-  Emergency Center
-  NRHP Buildings/Sites


Dam Hazard Class

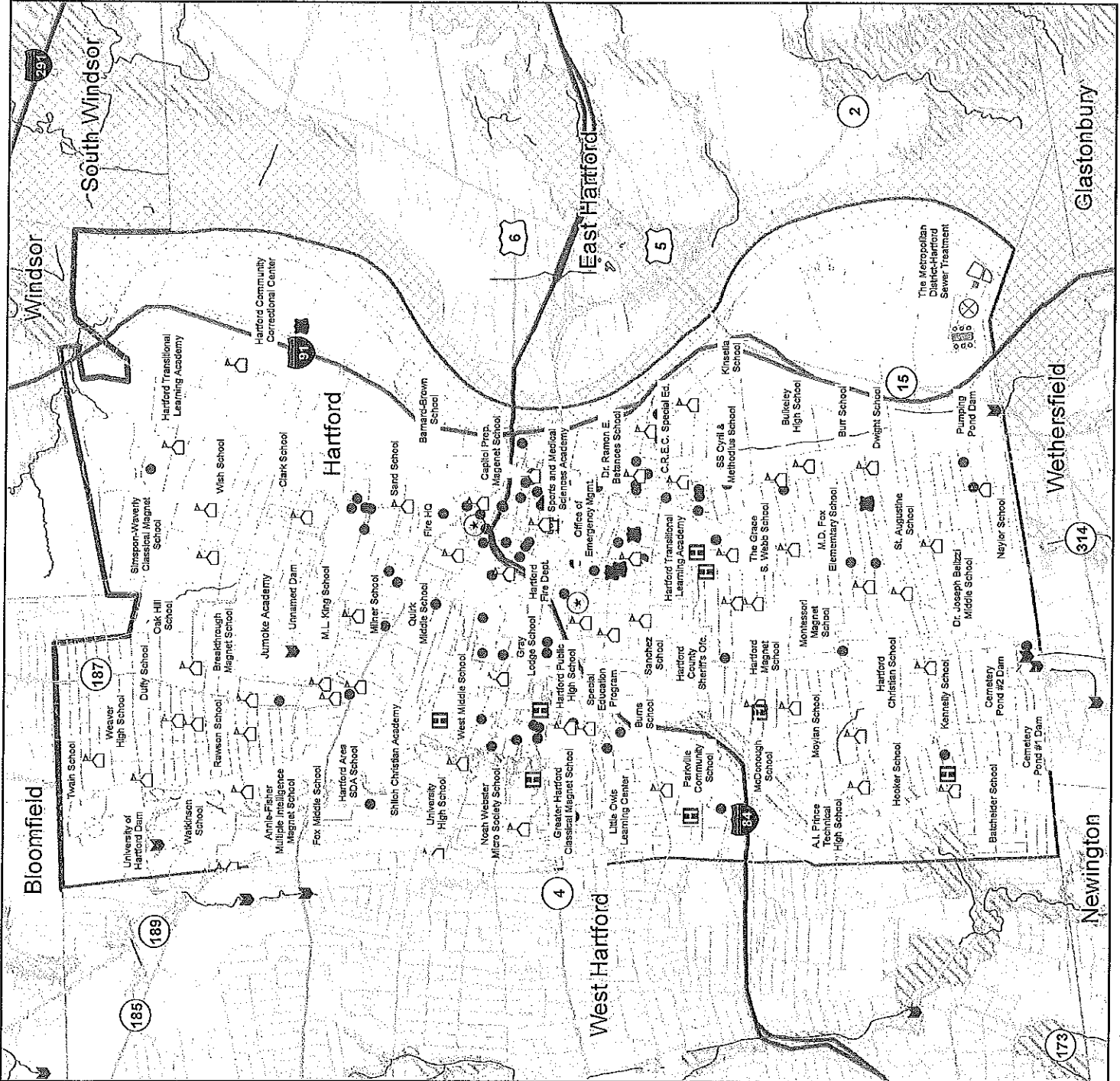
-  BB, A, AA OR Unclassified
-  Class B - Significant Hazard
-  Class C - High Hazard

FEMA Flood Hazard Area

-  100 Year Flood Zone
-  500 Year Flood Zone
-  NRHP Districts/Areas

Data Sources: FEMA, National Register of Historic Places, CT DEEP, CRCOG, ESRI

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AGENDA
MEETING OF THE COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
September 9, 2019
Approve Minutes August 12, 2019

ACTION TAKEN

COMMUNICATIONS

1. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant in the amount of \$1.5 million from the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development for the development of an Albany Avenue neighborhood park.
2. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution which would authorize the City to enter into a lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the installation of wireless devices on public structures to support their 4G Network. In an effort to further support existing AT&T cellular service across the City, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC has requested to utilize city owned property within the right-of-way to strengthen cell phone coverage within the City.
3. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount of \$190,809 from the United States Department of Justice.
4. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution confirming my reappointment of Reginald D. Freeman as Chief of the Hartford Fire Department. Chief Freeman's second term would begin February 1st 2020 and end on January 31st of 2024.
5. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept the donation of a Sirchie CyanoSafe Filtered Cyanoacrylate Fuming Chamber from the University of Connecticut Police Department.
6. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution adopting Hartford's new Community Risk Assessment – Standards of Cover (CRA-SOC), recently finalized and approved by the Hartford Fire Department (HFD).
7. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution confirming the appointment of Mia Lozada, Justin Banks, and Andre Santiago to the LGBTQ+ Commission.
8. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution authorizing the City to accept a State of Connecticut Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$24,710.45 from the State's Office of Policy Management.
9. MAYOR BRONIN, with accompanying resolution to endorse the Hartford Tree Plan for 2018-2019 as drafted by the Tree Advisory Commission. The City's urban forest provides tremendous value to our residents, their quality of life, and the character of the City.
10. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, Communication concerning an update on MyRec. by Assistant DPW Director Mike Looney.

REPORTS

11. PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE, Communication concerning a Substitute Ordinance amending Chapter 24, Chapter 30, and Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of Hartford to create the Housing Code.
12. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution that would transfer funding within the FY2019 budget in order to support planned capital expenditures in the FY2020 budget, as previously approved by the City Council and the Municipal Accountability Review Board.
13. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, Communication concerning an ordinance making general fund appropriations to reflect revised project costs relative to public improvements in the Martin Luther King school project no. 064-0310 RNV.

14. OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT, BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution approving the transfer of \$404,513.18 of outstanding delinquent personal property taxes from the 2006 – 2016 Grand Lists to the suspense tax book. The City can still make efforts to collect these taxes, however transferring this amount will improve our accounting processes.
15. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution which would allow the City to enter into a license agreement with the Channel Three Kids Camp for operating the annual Holiday Lights Fantasia at Goodwin Park.
16. PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, with accompanying resolution adopting the Capitol Region Council of Governments' (CRCOG) Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2019 – 2024.

FOR ACTION

17. Resolution requesting that all contractual and payment agreements and on-going monitoring and enforcement be made immediately available from this Administration by regular reporting to Council and the public, and by special request of interested or affected persons or agencies.
18. Resolution seeking to rename Field #9 in The City's Colt Park as the "Johnny Taylor Field" and also serves as The Hartford City Council's effort to commemorate and permanently recognize one of our hometown heroes.
19. Ordinance amending Chapter Two, Article VIII Section 2-850 Residency Requirements of the Municipal Code.
20. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 4, Section 2-352 concerning compensation for nonunion and unclassified executive service classification of the Hartford Municipal Code.
21. Ordinance amending Chapter 29, Article I, to add Section 29-18 relating to the Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles by the Hartford Police Department, of the Municipal Code.
22. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article II of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford be amended, adding Section 2-48 and Section 2-49.
23. Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article XXIII, Section 2-938 Drones of the Municipal Code.
24. Resolution with accompanying report concerning the approval of the regulations governing the use of unmanned aerial vehicles by the Hartford Police Department in accordance with the processes recommended by this resolution.
25. Substitute Ordinance amending Chapter 24, Chapter 30, and Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of Hartford to create the Housing Code.

HEARING DATE - Monday, September 16, 2019

26. Ordinance making General Fund Appropriations to Reflect Revised Project Costs Relative to Public Improvements in the Martin Luther King School Project no. 064-0310 RNV.

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

27. (ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER GALE) (COUNCIL PRESIDENT THAMES) (MAJORITY LEADER SANCHEZ) (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 4 Commission on Cultural Affairs of the Municipal Code, to Create the Honorary Positions of the Troubadour, Story Teller, Commentator, Flow Artist and earth Artist.

HEARING DATE - Monday, September 16, 2019

RESOLUTIONS

28. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution requesting that the Hartford Court of Common Council honor the dates of October 12, 2019, from 4:00-8:00pm, and the dates of January 16th & January 22nd, for Summer of Solutions to hold a Free Anti-Racism Training at Parker Memorial in Hartford.

29. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution requesting that the Hartford Court of Common Council work with the Tax Collector's office to develop a plan to obtain uncollected taxes for the highest debtors and provide an update to the Hartford Court of Common Council at the Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting.
30. (MINORITY LEADER BERMUDEZ) (COUNCILMAN DEUTSCH) Resolution appointing Moise Laurent (WFP) of 180 Saybrooke St., Hartford, Connecticut 06106 to finish the remaining term vacated by Councilwoman Claudine Fox concluding December 31, 2019.

Attest:

John V. Bazzano
City Clerk