

Minutes of the June 9, 2022 City Council Meeting – City Council Chambers

The Special meeting of the West Haven City Council was held on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 5:03 P.M.

In the City Council Chambers 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance

**Roll Call** Present were Council members: Donovan, Quagliani, Hoskie (late 5:10p.m.), Garthwait, Ackbarali, Gallignano, Bruneau, Johnstone and Massaro. Absent O'Connor, Hamilton, ,Tucker and Borrás. Also present Doug Colter, Ken Carney Chairman of the ARPA Committee, Rick Spreyer, Scott Jackson, Finance Director, Lee Tiernan Corporation Counsel, Attorney Grudberg, Chief Terrenzio and Duty Chief Esposito from the Allingtown Fire Department.

Council-As-A-Whole

**Communication A-14 Arts Center Phase II Construction Funding**

Councilman Quagliani made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Bruneau. Opposed Councilwoman Garthwait and Councilman Johnstone. All others in favor **MOTION passed by MAJORITY- via Roll Call Vote.**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	No
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	No
Chairman Massaro	Yes

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**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby reserves funding for the following project:**

**304 Center St. "Arts Center Building" Construction Funding: \$3,500,000.00**  
**Funds are intended to augment State Bond DECD Grant funds (\$1,500,000) received by the City, along with funds on hand (\$300,000.00) remaining as a surplus from Phase I Construction, to construct base building utilities, building and campus elements that will at least create a useable multi-purpose community meeting and activity space, ostensibly intended to support community arts activities, and to Develop a business plan and draft operational budget and renovation costs, and ask that the ARPA Committee to put this on their next Agenda for public comments.**

**Communication A-4 from the Chiefs of the City's three (3) Fire Departments reading hazardous Pay. HELD**

**Communication A-16 – regarding Aid to Fire Districts**

Councilman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Donovan. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote.**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**  
**Capital improvement funds for the three agencies that provide Fire Protection Services to the City of West Haven, \$3,075,000.00, to be divided equally between the City of West Haven Fire Department (Allingtown), The First Taxation Fire District (Center) and the West Shore Fire District. Said funds are to be used to advance construction and/or renovation funding of Fire Houses in each district, and support advanced dormitory design that will accommodate ventilation systems designed to mitigate the spread of airborne infectious disease, and address long standing inequities with equal facilities for different gender assuring equal opportunity.**

**Communication A-18: regarding Broad Band Access**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Bruneau and Councilman Donovan. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**BROAD BAND ACCESS \$100,000**

**This project will establish a micro grant fund operated by the West Haven Library to provide assistance to households facing negative economic impacts due to Covid-19, via micro grants, including costs for reasonable administrative services, digital literacy training and other programs that promote access to the Internet. This program will be developed and operated by the Library. Income qualified households shall make application to the Library for assistance either through loaned hot-spots or monthly subsidies to internet subscription.**

**Communication A-19: Community Protection and Traffic Monitoring Camera**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Bruneau. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote.**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND TRAFFIC MONITORING CAMERA NETWORK: \$1,000,000.00. This project is approved to help address street crime, traffic congestion monitoring, and to provide technological advances to aid law enforcement in forensic capture of events, remote monitoring and viewing of events by all of the Emergency Services, and to address Police staff shortage concerns that were exacerbated by the pandemic.**

**Communication A-21: Painter Park Field House**

Councilman Quagliani made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Donovan and Councilman Bruneau. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote.**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes

Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**PAINTER PARK FIELD HOUSE \$1,000,000.00**

**This project is authorized to develop plans, specifications, and bid documents for a proposed field house athletic facility at Painter Park. Upon development of a construction plan and cost estimates, a final budget proposal and design shall be presented to the Council for authorization prior to construction activities.**

**Communication A-22 Camp Grant Fund**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Bruneau. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY, Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**CAMP GRANT FUND \$100,000.00 income based and will bring back business plan to the City Council**

**Communication A-23: FEMA- PA and SLFRF rejection backup contingency**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to DENY** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Bruneau. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes

Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**Communication A-24 CARES ACT Financial Oversight Support**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Donovan. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**CARES ACT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT \$700,000.00**

**This fund shall enable the City to engage the necessary legal and financial expertise to affect proper, legal, and transparent management of all CARES ACT funds and associated expenditures. Said funds are intended to be sufficient to provide the required monthly reporting to the Council, quarterly and final reporting to the U.S. Treasury, and daily financial management of the funds until the closure of the ARPA funded projects.**

**Communication A-25 Police Personnel Retention Funding**

Councilwoman Hoskie made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Chairman Massaro. All in favor. **MOTION passed UNANIMOUSLY. Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	Yes
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes

Councilman Johnston                      Yes  
Chairman Massaro                         Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**POLICE PERSONNEL RETENTION FUNDING \$2,400,000.00**

**Communication A-7 Windows at City Hall for safety, security, and energy conservation improvements**

Councilman Bruneau made a **MOTION to APPROVE** which was **SECONDED** by Councilman Johnstone and Councilman Donovan. **MOTION** pass by **MAJORITY. Via Roll Call Vote**

**Roll Call:**

Councilman Donovan	Yes
Councilman Quagliani	Yes
Councilwoman Hoskie	Yes
Councilwoman Garthwait	No
Councilwoman Ackbarali	Yes
Councilman Gallignano	Yes
Councilman Bruneau	Yes
Councilman Johnstone	Yes
Chairman Massaro	Yes

**RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appropriates funding for the following project:**

**Municipal Building Improvements, \$650,000 is allotted to replacement of the windows at City Hall for safety, security, and energy conservation improvements.**

**Recess at 8:13 p.m.**

**Peter Massaro**  
**Chairman of the Council**

**Stacy Riccio**  
**Clerk of Council**

**Diane Ascenzia**  
**Administrative Assistant**

**These minutes were approved by the Council at the July 25, 2022 meeting**