

Court of Common Council

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 23, 2012, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, On November 14, 2011, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$40 million in General Obligation Refunding Bonds by the City of Hartford in order to generate debt service savings to the City; and

WHEREAS, Interest rates continue to remain volatile and may be lower at the time the Refunding Bonds are issued; and

WHEREAS, Further savings may be realized by the issuance of additional Refunding Bonds if market conditions permit; and

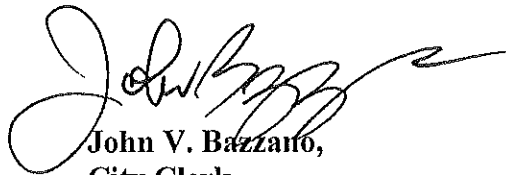
WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Treasurer recommend that the Court of Common Council authorize the issuance of up to an additional \$30 million in General Obligation Refunding Bonds, bringing the total to \$70 million, now; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That, in addition to the \$40,000,000 in General Obligation Refunding Bonds (the "Refunding Bonds") of the City of Hartford, Connecticut (the "City"), previously authorized by the Council on November 14, 2011, the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the issuance of an additional amount, of not more than \$30,000,000 of Refunding Bonds, for a combined total not to exceed \$70,000,000, to be issued to refund all or any portion of the City's outstanding General Obligation Bonds (the "Refunded Bonds") to achieve net present value savings and/or restructure debt service payments of the City. The Refunding Bonds shall be issued and sold in a negotiated underwriting or a competitive offering as determined by the Mayor and City Treasurer, in such principal amounts, at such time or times as the Mayor and City Treasurer shall determine to be most opportune for the City. The Refunding Bonds shall mature on such date or dates and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer, provided that no Refunding Bonds shall mature later than the final maturity date of the Refunded Bonds to be refunded, and shall bear interest payable at such rate or rates as

shall be determined by the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The Refunding Bonds shall be executed in the name and on behalf of the City by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the City Treasurer, bear the City seal or a facsimile thereof, and be approved as to their legality by the City's bond counsel. The Refunding Bonds shall be general obligations of the City and each of the Refunding Bonds shall recite that every requirement of law relating to its issuance has been duly complied with, that such bond is within every debt and other limit prescribed by law, and that the full faith and credit of the City are pledged to the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon. The aggregate denominations, form, details, and other particulars thereof, including the certifying, paying, registrar and transfer agent, shall be subject to the approval of the Mayor and the City Treasurer. The net proceeds of the sale of the Refunding Bonds, after payment of underwriters' discount and other costs of issuance, shall be deposited in an irrevocable escrow account in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of, interest and redemption premium, if any, due on the Refunded Bonds to maturity or earlier redemption pursuant to the plan of refunding. The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to appoint an escrow agent and other professionals and to execute and deliver any and all escrow, investment and related agreements necessary to provide for the payment of the Refunded Bonds and otherwise provide for the transactions contemplated hereby. The Mayor and the City Treasurer are authorized to prepare and distribute a Preliminary Official Statement and a Final Official Statement of the City for use in connection with the offering and sale of the Refunding Bonds, and to execute and deliver, on behalf of the City, a Bond Purchase Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Agreement and a Tax Regulatory Agreement for the Refunding Bonds in such form as they shall deem necessary and appropriate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this ordinance shall be effective from date of passage to and including the one year anniversary hereof.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 23, 2012, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter, the Court of Common Council hereby approves settlement of the workers compensation claim of James Fennell for \$120,000.00 to the claimant.

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John V. Bazzano", is written over a horizontal line.

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RESOLVED, That pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3 of the City Charter, the Court of Common Council hereby approves settlement of the workers compensation claim of Jeffrey Rohan for \$95,000.00.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 23, 2012, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Hartford Courant on December 12, 2011 terminated the contract with its long-time, locally-based cleaning company and brought in an out of state contractor; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Courant's new contractor has not re-hired the eight building cleaners, most of whom are Hartford residents, who lost their jobs and their collective bargaining rights when their former employer lost its contract; and

WHEREAS, The decision by The Hartford Courant has had a negative economic impact on the City by replacing good jobs that enabled workers to be self-supportive with less stable, low wage jobs that leave workers dependent on Government subsidies; and

WHEREAS, The decision by The Hartford Courant threatens access to affordable medical insurance coverage for its former contractor's employees and their families; and

WHEREAS, The decision by The Hartford Courant risks shifting the burden of providing access to healthcare for their former contractor's employees to City and State taxpayers; and

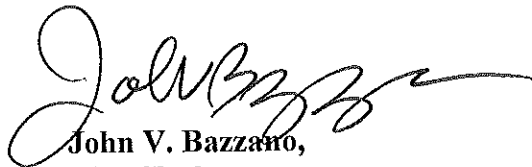
WHEREAS, Local 32BJ, SEIU, the union representing the employees of The Hartford Courant's former building cleaning company, has filed charges with the National Labor Relations Board over the new contractor's refusal to consider or hire the workers; and

WHEREAS, The City has as a public policy advocated for labor peace and the swift resolution of disputes between workers in the City and their employers because it is essential to the economic health and vitality of the Region; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council calls on The Hartford Courant to do its civic duty by making sure that the eight longtime building cleaners employed by the former contractor are rehired; and be it further

RESOLVED, The Court of Common Council calls on The Hartford Courant to act in the interest of the City's economic well-being by ensuring that the previous levels of wages and healthcare benefits for the building cleaners under their former employment are restored.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 23, 2012, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The West End Civic Association, Incorporated (WECA) is a non-profit (with 501(c)(3) tax designation under the United States Internal Revenue Code), nonreligious, nonpartisan community based civic association which has been designated by the City of Hartford as the Planning Committee for the Neighborhood Revitalization Zone (NRZ) within the City of Hartford which includes the West End neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, The mission of WECA, as set forth in the West End Strategic Plan on file with the City of Hartford, prepared pursuant to Chapter 118 of the General Statutes, is as follows:

“A substantial force in strengthening community, WECA strives to create diversity, community cultural events, safe and beautiful streets, desirable housing, good schools and a thriving business corridor”; and

WHEREAS, The real property known as 217 Beacon Street, a two-family residential property, is within the geographical boundaries of the NRZ for which WECA is the Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, Said property is blighted and deteriorated as that term is used in Chapter 118 of the General Statutes; and

WHEREAS, The property taxes owed with respect to said property are delinquent and the subject of one or more tax liens; and

WHEREAS, WECA is prepared to take assignment of said tax liens and pay the complete costs of foreclosure thereof, however WECA is unable to pay the debt secured by said tax liens until the tax lien foreclosure action is complete and title is transferred to WECA; and

WHEREAS, WECA, in its capacity as the NRZ, has identified a contractor who has agreed to:

- a. Take title to the property upon foreclosure of said tax liens.

- b. Pay as consideration therefore all foreclosure costs and the debt secured by the tax liens.
- c. Renovate the premises consistent with the architectural character and historical nature of the property and surrounding neighborhood.
- d. Complete said renovation in a timely manner to the satisfaction of WECA and the City of Hartford; and

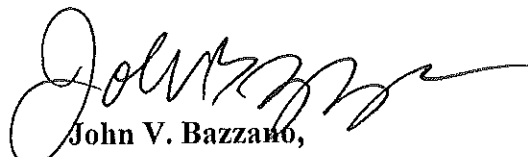
WHEREAS, WECA believes that the process described above is an expedient means of addressing this blight in the NRZ; and

WHEREAS, The health, safety and welfare of the City of Hartford will be advanced by working with WECA in this regard, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that

1. The City of Hartford assign to WECA all tax liens related to the real property known as 217 Beacon Street.
2. The consideration paid by WECA to the City for the assignment shall be \$1 (One Dollar) and the promise to make payment to the City of the total due under said tax liens at the time of the assignment, which payment shall be made by WECA to the City:
 - a. At the time that WECA takes title to the subject property:
 - i. By strict foreclosure of the tax liens, or
 - ii. As the successful bidder at a foreclosure sale, and transfers title to the identified contractor, or
 - b. At the time that WECA received payment from the Superior Court of the State of Connecticut, if the subject property is sold at a foreclosure sale.
3. Provided further that WECA shall receive as consideration, from its identified contractor, a sum equal to WECA's foreclosure costs and the debt secured by the tax liens such that WECA shall make no profit as a result of its efforts in this regard, but shall suffer no loss.
4. Provided however, that if WECA shall fail to foreclose upon said tax liens, then WECA shall assign the tax liens back to the City of Hartford, and provided further, that if WECA shall take title to the subject property but shall fail to transfer such title to its identified contractor, then WECA shall immediately transfer title to the City of Hartford.
5. The Assignment to WECA of said tax liens under the terms and conditions set out above is consistent with and in furtherance of the objectives of Chapter 118 of the General Statutes.

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WHEREAS, The Charter of the City of Hartford was adopted in 1947 and last amended in 2001; and

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council, after holding a series of forums to gauge public sentiment for empanelling a Charter Reform Commission, voted to empanel said Commission on September 22, 2008; and

WHEREAS, The inability, by the Court of Common Council, to meet State requirements for timely submission of Commission recommendations prevented said recommendations from official consideration; and

WHEREAS, Chapter XII, Section 5 of the Charter of the City of Hartford calls for a periodic review of the Charter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That a Charter Revision Commission be appointed pursuant to the provisions of Sections 7-187 through 7-194 of the Connecticut State Statutes, and of said Commission, one member shall be designated Chairperson; one member shall be designated Vice Chairman; and one shall be appointed Secretary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said Commission shall be empanelled for the purpose of undertaking a thorough review of the current Charter and all aspects of the structure of City Government; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section 7-190 of the Connecticut General Statutes, this Council shall within thirty days of passage of this resolution, appoint members of the Charter Revision Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the City of Hartford Corporation Counsel is requested to provide such assistance to the Commission as it deems necessary.

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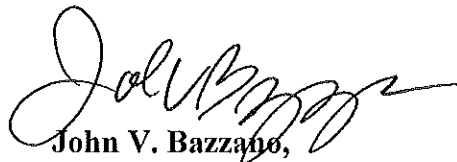
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WHEREAS, The Hartford Public Library wishes to serve alcohol at five Art Walk receptions to be held on February 3, April 6, June 1, October 5, and December 7, 2012 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the main branch of the library, located at 500 Main Street; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Public Library is a City agency and the City of Hartford ensures the Library, an additional certificate of insurance is not required; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants permission to the Hartford Public Library to serve alcohol at the aforementioned events under the condition that the proper permits, if required, are obtained from the Liquor Control Division of the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection.

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