

Court of Common Council



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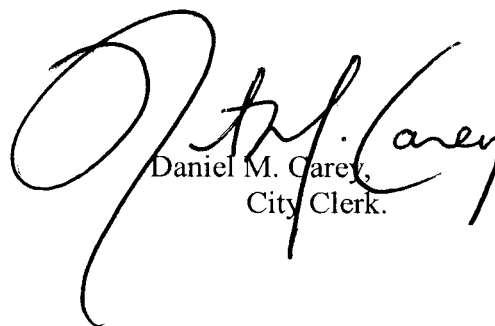
WHEREAS, It is important for the citizens of the City of Hartford that the City Government always work toward making itself more open and transparent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council directs the Town and City Clerk to assign a number to each item that appears on a Council Agenda based upon the date of the meeting and the item's location on the Agenda; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Town and City Clerk is further directed to establish a system using said assigned numbers to track each Agenda item through the Legislative process; and be it further

RESOLVED, That such a system will be available to the public on the Town and City Clerk's website.

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WHEREAS, In 2004, the City executed the "Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Regarding Merchant Coordination Services in Connection with The Park Street Enhancement Project" with the Spanish American Merchants Association ("SAMA") that was intended to assist in the orderly execution of streetscape construction work in the vicinity of the businesses on Park Street; and

WHEREAS, This service was intended to be in effect for the duration of the entire project; and

WHEREAS, The construction work on the Park Street Streetscape Project has taken significantly longer than originally planned, but is anticipated to be substantially completed by December 31, 2006; and

WHEREAS, The funds in the SAMA agreement have already been completely expended, and an increase in the MOU in the amount of \$16,000 is needed to continue SAMA's coordination services through the substantial completion of the entire project; and

WHEREAS, SAMA has been successful in securing a State grant and has issued a construction contract for a security camera system on Park Street which will need to receive its electrical feed from the new decorative street light system installed under the streetscape project; and

WHEREAS, The street light system wiring needs a modification in order to be able to provide the power required for the camera system which will cost \$47,480.17; and

WHEREAS, It has been determined that the most efficient means to accomplish this modification is through a change order to SAMA's construction contract, which in turn would be reimbursed through an increase in SAMA's MOU with the City; now, therefore, be it

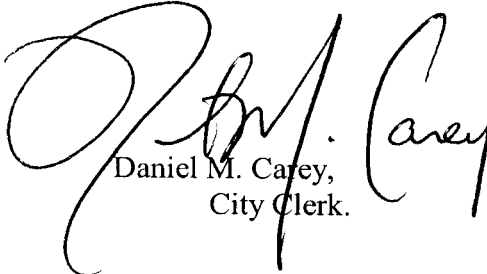
RESOLVED, That, in consideration of the positive public benefits of the project, Eddie A. Perez, Mayor, be authorized to enter into an amendment to the "Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Merchant Coordination Services in Connection with The Park Street Enhancement Project" with SAMA that would increase the funding by a total of \$63,480.17 for extended merchant coordination services, and for the modifications that SAMA will be required to make to the electrical system on Park Street; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned 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 agreements and documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2007, the following SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION was passed, as amended.

WHEREAS, The Hartford Parks Trust Fund was established in 1998 by the City Council as a permanent endowment funded at that time with approximately \$8 million in proceeds the City realized through the sale of a portion of Batterson Park; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Trust was to fund capital improvements and non-recurring expenses in the parks of the City; and

WHEREAS, Investment income generated by the Trust between Fiscal Year 2001 and Fiscal Year 2006 was \$5,800,000; and

WHEREAS, Money received from the Town of Farmington for the sale of the Burnt Hill section of Batterson Park, was inadvertently placed in the Capital Improvement Fund instead of the Hartford Parks Trust Fund in 2003; and

WHEREAS, That money was subsequently and appropriately transferred from the Capital Improvement Fund to the Hartford Parks Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, The interest earned while that money was in the Capital Improvement Fund has not yet been transferred to the Hartford Parks Trust Fund; and

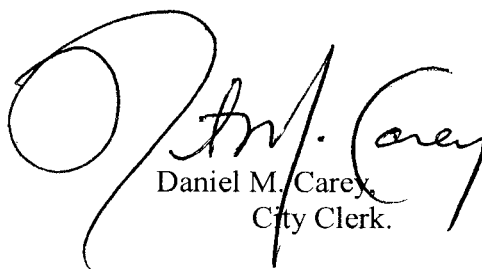
WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Article VII, Division I, Section 2-487, Subsection (b)(3)a. of the Hartford Municipal Code states:

“Upon recommendation of the city manager (Mayor) and with approval of the council the investment income from the fund (Hartford Parks Trust) may be transferred to the capital improvements fund and appropriated for capital improvements...”; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Finance Director request that the investment income of \$4,900,000 generated by the Trust between Fiscal Year 2001 and Fiscal Year 2006 be transferred from the Hartford Parks Trust Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund for approved projects; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the interest earned on the proceeds of the sale of the Burnt Hill section of Batterson Park (\$130,000) to the Town of Farmington while inadvertently deposited in the Capital Fund in 2003 be transferred to the Hartford Parks Trust Fund in January 2007.

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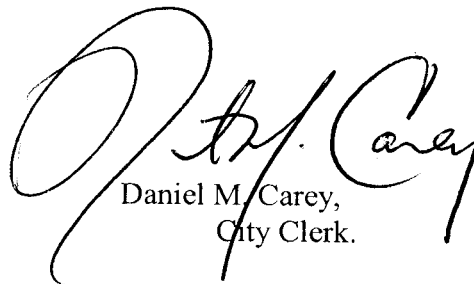
WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council is required to appoint one of the five ex-officio members to the Board of Commissioners of the newly formed and approved Hartford Business Improvement District (BID); and

WHEREAS, Many of the members of the Board are representatives of large companies in the downtown and Asylum Hill community; and

WHEREAS, Representation from the small business, including the vibrant restaurant business is important; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Hugh Russell, proprietor of The Russell, a dining and entertainment venue, be appointed as the Council's designee to the Hartford Business Improvement District.

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RESOLVED, The Mayor, hereby requests that the Court of Common Council enter into executive session to discuss Paul Lewis, Esq. Administrator of the estate of George Nelson v. Brian Wilkinson, et al.

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WHEREAS, St. Peter's Church sponsored a Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 10, 2006 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The procession route began at St. Ann/Immaculate Concepcion Church, proceeded east on Park Street and terminated at St. Peter's Church on Main Street; and

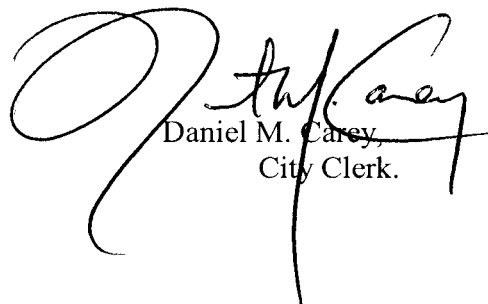
WHEREAS, The sponsor is requesting a 50 percent fee waiver for City fees associated with this event; and

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

RESOLVED, That prior to the event the sponsor is required to obtain the proper Insurance Certificate, which holds the City harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This Certificate must be reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council waives one half of the fees associated with the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2007, the following RESOLUTION was passed, as amended.

WHEREAS, The Amistad Center for Art & Cultures is sponsoring a Downtown Tuesday (DTU) Cultural Arts Networking Social on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Atrium of City Hall; and

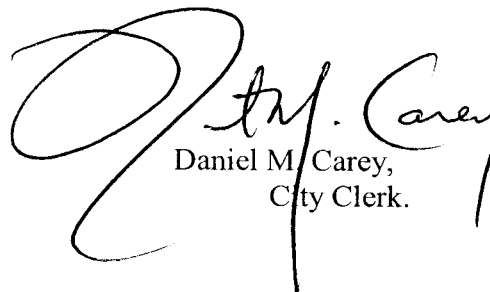
WHEREAS, The sponsor of this event is asking permission to sell food and liquor and use the podium, tables and chairs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That prior to the event the sponsor is required to obtain the proper Insurance Certificate, which held the City harmless for any claims arising out of the event. This Certificate was reviewed and approved by the Risk Manager of the Finance Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the permittee is also required where applicable to apply and receive a liquor permit from the Connecticut Liquor Control Commission. A copy of this approved liquor permit must be presented to the Risk Management Department prior to the event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council grants permission for the Amistad Center for Art & Cultures to hold their event.

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WHEREAS, The State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety wishes to donate a 1995 Ford Model E – 350 Cube Van (VIN#1FDKE37SHB39008) to the Fire Marshal - Hartford Fire Department, Fire Prevention Bureau; and

WHEREAS, The Fire Marshal has affirmed that this donation is both appropriate and appreciated to supplement the current vehicle used for fire investigations; and

WHEREAS, A One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) service fee is required for the transfer of this donation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor along with the Court of Common Council hereby grant approval for the City of Hartford to accept this donation; and be it further

RESOLVED, The City of Hartford extends its thanks and gratitude to the State of Connecticut Department of Public Safety for their donation.

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WHEREAS, Hartford is committed to inclusion as a fundamental aspect of our community; and

WHEREAS, Cities and towns are the best place to make inclusiveness an everyday priority; and

WHEREAS, Local elected officials can and should lead the way forward in making inclusiveness a priority in America's cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, The National League of Cities has designed the Partnership for Working Toward Inclusive Communities to support cities and towns in their commitment to inclusion; and

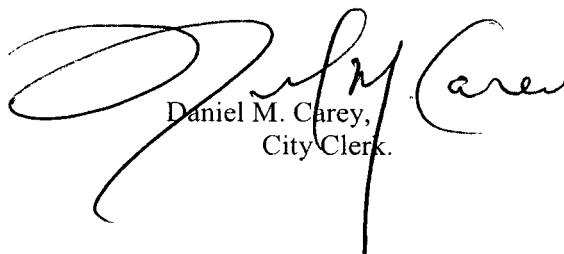
WHEREAS, The National League of Cities and its members believe an inclusive community promotes citizen participation and engagement; and

WHEREAS, National League of Cities President James C. Hunt, Council Member, Clarksburg, West Virginia, has invited local officials to join the Partnership for Working Toward Inclusive Communities and to make a commitment to building more inclusive communities in their own cities and towns; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Hartford hereby reaffirms our commitment to inclusion as a fundamental aspect of our community, pledges active efforts to seek to achieve that goal, and urges all citizens of Hartford to join together to support this effort; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Hartford joins the Partnership for Working Toward Inclusive Communities.

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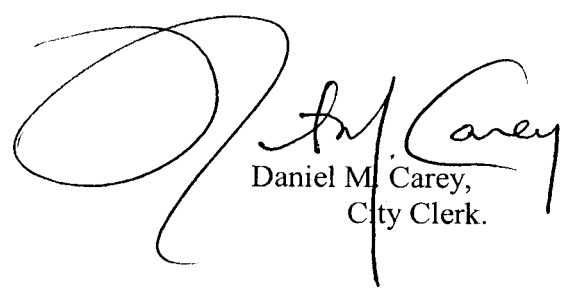
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