

## AGENDA

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021

7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be conducted by teleconference.

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**Dial-In Number: (929) 436-2866**

**Meeting ID: 381 083 245**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

#### **MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

Approval of City Council Minutes: January 19, 2021

#### **COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:**

- 22-20** Communication from Tax Collector re: Proposed Assignment of Tax Liens for Fiscal Year 2021, referred to Contracts Committee.
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#### **MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON:**

- 196-19** Ordinance Committee Report re: Amendment to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend to add New Chapter 12.17 – Establishing an Honorary Street Naming Program in the City of Bridgeport.

*(Special Note: All items listed on the agenda can be found on the City Clerk's website within 24 hours of meeting: City Council Agendas/Minutes; City Council; 2020-2021; Full/Minutes/Size; 2021-03-01 pdf)*

THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021 AT 6:30 P.M. THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY ZOOM/TELECONFERENCE. THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON MAY DIAL INTO THIS MEETING TO SPEAK BY CALLING THE FOLLOWING CONFERENCE LINE AND THEN ENTERING THE CONFERENCE CODE:

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Brian Fojtik National Assoc. of Tobacco Outlets 2738 Main Street Bridgeport, CT 06606	"Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Chapter 8.90 – Regulation of the Sales and Marketing of Tobacco Products".
John M. Lee 30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605	City Finances – Budgets.
Eddie Jamal Phoenix Gulf 580 North Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06606	Opposition to city's flavored tobacco ban proposal.
Mohammed Choudhry M & M Food Store Inc. 2579 Fairfield Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	Opposition to city's flavored tobacco ban proposal.
Isik Yildiz Puff City 575 E. Main Street Bridgeport, CT 06608	Opposition to city's flavored tobacco ban proposal.
Yasser Alany Boston Shell 1917 Boston Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06610	Opposition to city's flavored tobacco ban proposal.
Maria Pereira 206 Bradley Street Bridgeport, CT 06610	Bridgeport Public Safety Task Force, Covid-19 and Health Dept.
David Daniels III 325 Lafayette Street U-5205 Bridgeport, CT 06604	Proposed Resolution (Menthol Ban).
Pete Spain 280 Grovers Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	Public health during and after the pandemic.
Jonathan Shaer 1360 Noble Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06608	Proposed Ordinance to ban sale of flavored tobacco opposed.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM**

**MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021**

**6:30 P.M.**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Council President Nieves called the Public Speaking portion of the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. She noted that the speakers would have 3 minutes to speak and to give their names.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk Lydia Martinez called the roll.

- 130<sup>th</sup> District: Scott Burns, Matthew McCarthy
- 131<sup>st</sup> District: *Denese Taylor-Moye*, Jorge Cruz
- 132<sup>nd</sup> District: Marcus Brown, M. Evette Brantley
- 133<sup>rd</sup> District: *Michael DeFilippo*, Jeanette Herron
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- 135<sup>th</sup> District: Rosalina Roman-Christy, *Mary McBride-Lee*
- 136<sup>th</sup> District: *Alfredo Castillo*, *Avelino Silva*
- 137<sup>th</sup> District: *Maria Valle*, Aidee Nieves
- 138<sup>th</sup> District: Maria Pereira, Samia Suliman
- 139<sup>th</sup> District: Eneida Martinez, *Ernest Newton*

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Council President Nieves said that Council Member Taylor-Moye would not be able to join the Public Speaking portion of the meeting, but would join the main portion of the Council Meeting.

During the roll call, there appeared to be no response from the individuals whose names are listed in italics.

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Mr. Fojtik said that he had testified earlier on the behalf of the tobacco retail association, which represents over 60,000, including many located in Bridgeport. then spoke against the flavored tobacco product ban and said that there was no basis in fact or prior precedence to believe that this ordinance would benefit public health or reduce youth vaping. It is just as likely to cause negative outcomes. Additionally, the businesses that would be affected would disproportionately be those owned by first and second generation immigrant families who may not speak English and people of color.

Mr. Fojtik said because of COVID-19, gas stations and convenience stores have suffered significant losses including 45% in fuel and 20% or more in store sales. The businesses are already suffering from the pandemic and they rely on tobacco products for about 36% of their sales. This bill would magnify pandemic harms to businesses by driving adult customers to purchase from outside the city and from illicit markets.

Banning menthol cigarettes in Massachusetts has been a dismal failure. Sales data clearly demonstrates that smokers have switched to non-menthol cigarettes or simply purchased flavored products out of state. Since menthol cigarettes were banned in Massachusetts, the in state non-menthol cigarette sales have increased by 15%. In New Hampshire, menthol cigarette sales are up 90% and in Rhode Island, menthol sales are up by 29%. Cigarette tax stamp sales in Massachusetts have decreased by approximately 9 million stamps and increased in the neighboring states. The only thing the Massachusetts ban accomplished was to devastate retailers, fuel illicit markets and drive sales out of state.

There have been Federal changes that occurred during the last 15 months. Congress raised the age of purchase to 21 which removed the products from schools. The FDA banned flavored products and flavor disposable products. Manufacturers are now required to submit a pre-market tobacco application. FDA started identifying violators and taking action. Congress recently prohibited the U.S. Postal Service from shipping tobacco products and Federal Express is doing the same. According to FDA and CDC research, youth vaping is on the decline. For these reasons and more items including in the letter that was sent to the Council, Mr. Fojtik urged the Council not to approve the ban.

**John M. Lee**  
30 Beacon Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06605

City Finances – Budgets.

Mr. John Marshal Lee then read the following statement into the record:

OIB- City Budget Practices?

As the fiscal magician waved his favorite wand over the bag of money it disappeared in a puff of smoke never to be seen again!! Presto!! Slusho!!!

The public would only see property tax-based funds going to the Lighthouse youth program and not receipted money orders from parents. The Council knows of grants coming to Lighthouse from Federal and State programs valued at millions annually, but

none were open to oversight regularly because such accounts are not available to the public. That is, unless you happened to visit Hartford when Lighthouse After School Programs and Youth Service Bureau presented their revenue histories for view.

The revenue history provided by that program demonstrated a decade long history of payments from parents in amounts near \$800,000 annually. But no expense history was provided on behalf of Lighthouse at the Capitol. How does that come about? Does anyone respect the difficult expense for one or more of the approximately 2,200 youth served, though some are on scholarship, and wonder why another 90% of youth, present in school, are not served similarly?

Who waves this magician's wand? What is his magic? Where do funds get spent when he waves and yells: SLUSHO? Many have asked that question in past years but neither the budget, CAFR audit, or any other available City document provides a known footnote, commentary, or hint as to basic department financial process.

When the City Council receives the electronic Monthly Reports, does Dept 01579, line 5, titled Special Services account item show the expenses of Lighthouse activities or of all the Youth Service grant programs too? What happens when the Hartford revenues and all Bridgeport numbers, are combined? Is there any slush fund or only confusion about why the City keeps the parental contributions out of the news? Is current practice Open, Accountable, Transparent and Honest or does it only pretend to be? Perhaps a tax and city cash spending program like Lighthouse needs to be separated from Youth Services, a grants program, especially at a time when so many necessary department leaders seem "frozen" in "Acting classes" for one or more jobs while being tasked with multiple responsibilities? Time will tell.

**Eddie Jamal**  
Phoenix Gulf  
580 North Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06606

Opposition to city's flavored  
tobacco ban proposal.

Mr. Jamal said that he was present to testify on behalf of Phoenix Gulf against the proposed the tobacco regulation. He said that he had a convenience store for 16 years and kept his store open during the COVID pandemic so that the local neighbors could purchase food items in an uncrowded venue. He was also able to donate 200 turkeys at an event, which many of the Council Members were present.

Mr. Jamal said that while he does not like tobacco, banning tobacco would just drive the business underground. Now about 25% of the tobacco business is already underground. This is what the bad actors and hucksters want. Taking away the tobacco would destroy a major portion of his revenue and also affect his employees, many of whom are working to support families. He asked if they had explored every avenue to keep these products out of the youth. The State is going to ban tobacco products but legalize marijuana.

**Mohammed Choudhry**  
M & M Food Store Inc.  
2579 Fairfield Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06605

Opposition to city's flavored tobacco  
ban proposal.

There was no response from Mr. Choudhry.

**Isik Yildiz**  
Puff City  
575 E. Main Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06608

Opposition to city's flavored tobacco  
ban proposal.

Mr. Yildiz did not respond.

**Yasser Alany**  
Boston Shell  
1917 Boston Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06610

Opposition to city's flavored tobacco  
ban proposal.

Mr. Alany said that he owns a number of retail locations, including one on Boston Avenue. He said that he would like to thank the Council for their time.

While a flavor ban might seem logical, but the responsible retailers follow the law and keep the youth from purchasing their products. They check ID's and know that the sale to minors is restricted and not allowed. Youth do not come to his store to buy tobacco because they know the staff will not allow it.

Banning flavor tobacco will force his business to cut their hours and affect their community.

**Maria Pereira**  
206 Bradley Street  
Bridgeport, CT 06610

Bridgeport Public Safety Task  
Force, Covid-19 and Health Dept.

Council Member Pereira said that she found it disturbing that there was 150,000 residents in Bridgeport but there is someone on the task force working towards resolutions for Bridgeport but does not live in Bridgeport. In addition, Ms. Anna Cruz's appointment as a Police Commissioner expired in 2005, 16 years ago. It is troubling to Council Member Pereira that her first cousin, Lt. Manny Cotto, is also on the Commission. These are inherent conflicts of interest because their mothers are sisters.

Several people have resigned from the Committee, including Jason Morales, and Council Member Pereira stated she had seen his communication which stated that in part, he was resigning because of the way that Justice for Jason was treated. Council Member Pereira said she could not agree with him more. They should want people who want to serve in the capacity, not those who have to be begged to serve.

In addition, she was on the first legally noticed meeting call and Kate Rivera expressed interest on serving on the Committee. Ms. Rivera has years of experience with police accountability and social justice issues. She is well known for it and can teach anti-bias workshops to Police Departments through the McCarthy Foundation Safety and Justice Grant. If someone who is qualified and there is a vacancy, they should put people on it that want to serve. It is good to have different opinions and it is important to have healthy debate.

Council Member Pereira said she read in the Connecticut Post that there is now an Acting Health Director, and she did not receive any information about. She said it was amazing that the Health Director has not spoken one time in the press. Ms. Papa and Mr. Appleby have been repeatedly quoted over and over again. A recent press release highlighted the fact Ms. Papa was the Deputy Acting Health Director and no mention was made of the individual who is the Acting Health Director. This looks suspicious and Council Member Pereira said she did not believe he was managing COVID-19 while Bridgeport continues to be at the very bottom of the State of Connecticut in distributing vaccines. This is a huge problem and the City just hired two consultants. The Health Department is in some type of crisis and Council Member Pereira said she would like to speak to this issue regarding smoking because if the Health Department has to enforce it, the Department is in such shambles and the moral is so poor, do they have the enforcement capacity right now with the focus on vaccines.

**David Daniels III**

325 Lafayette Street U-5205  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Proposed Resolution (Menthol Ban).

Mr. Daniels, III, a retired Bridgeport Police Lt. And community activist. He said that he did not smoke or consume tobacco products. He said that he doesn't vape but was concerned particularly that it includes menthol cigarettes. He said that this ban would force the market underground. This will also put an additional strain on the relationship between the police and the black and brown community. A step in a positive direction for the public good is good, but they have to look at the long term effects. This may be a short term solution to a long term problem.

**Pete Spain**

280 Grovers Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06605

Public health during and after the  
pandemic.

Mr. Spain asked if Mr. Brian Fojtik who is from the National Assoc. of Tobacco Outlets could speak for a Smoke Shop located at 2738 Main Street. Council President Nieves said that she had checked with the City Attorney and since the smoke shop was a member of the National Assoc. of Tobacco Outlets, Mr. Fojtik could indeed use the address and speak for the business owners.

Mr. Spain also asked about Mr. Jonathan Shaer, who is from Massachusetts who is using a Mobile gas station in Bridgeport. Council President Nieves explained that Mr. Shaer does have the right to speak for the business owner.

Mr. Peter Spain then addressed the Council Members. He said that it was good working with the Council Members and the Health Director to pass Tobacco 21 a few years ago. The pandemic has magnified the importance of public health, particularly in terms of prevention and addressing

health disparities. Smoking and vaping have been linked to worse COVID-19 outcomes including greater mortality. In Connecticut, smoking rates are elevated in communities with less income, less educational attainment and more people of color. Those communities have drastically lowered life expectancies compared to other communities in the state. There is a 19 year difference in the census tracts between Bridgeport and Westport. Preventing the initiation into tobacco use is more important than ever, because tobacco use remains the leading cause of preventable disease and death. Some good did come from Tobacco 21, which Bridgeport led, it hasn't done enough.

In the most recent national tobacco survey, one in four high school students reported using tobacco products in the past 30 days. About 9 out of 10 users reported that they used flavored tobacco. Flavored tobacco products entice and help make "young replacement smokers". They need to get replacement smokers when they are killing off their smokers. Nicotine addiction is a bigger problem than teens realize and there are 15,000 nicotine laced flavors products available. Nicotine fueled tobacco use is responsible for more than \$2 billion in direct health care costs every year in Connecticut. That \$2 billion includes more than \$520 in Medicaid. He urged the Council to pass the ban on all flavored tobacco products in Bridgeport. There are more than 220 retail locations selling tobacco products today.

This proposed ban will not criminalize possession of tobacco products. Tobacco 21 did not criminalize it either. He referred everyone to Chapter 8.9 of the Ordinances for the sales and regulation of Tobacco Products. The proposed ban ordinance language purposefully keeps police out of Public Policy and process. In subsection 020 of the current ordinance states "pursuant to the statutes of the State of Connecticut, the City has the power to make lawful regulations and ordinances for the furtherance of public health. Therefore the City seeks to prevent and reduce youth access to tobacco products." It's right there. Public health is so important that the State of Connecticut invested the cities with the ability to promote public health.

**Jonathan Shaer**  
1360 Noble Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06608

Proposed Ordinance to ban sale of  
flavored tobacco opposed.

Mr. Shaer said that their agency represents these small business owners because they have an understanding of the issue while the business owner may not be aware of all the aspects of the issue. He said that he was the Executive Director of the New England Convenience Store Marketers Association and was representing a Noble Avenue Mobile gas station in Bridgeport. There are also over 100 other businesses in Bridgeport that are members of their organization.

Mr. Shaer said that he had testified in the earlier public hearing and wished to present some key points about the recent Federal Government actions. He said that his organization clearly opposes the flavored tobacco ban which included both traditional tobacco products menthol cigarettes and smokeless. There are many issues with the proposal as a matter of policy, but the bottom line is that it is an over-reaching ordinance with severe consequences for the retailers and adults and will do nothing to restrict access or initiation for the youth.



The rationale for this ordinance is to reduce the appeal to the youth. In 2019, The Tobacco Server reported that 29% of high school youth had tried a tobacco product in the past 30 days and certainly the wide variety of flavors available played a major role in that alarming statistic. But in 2020, the same report indicated the number fell to 19.7%, not one out of four as previously stated. The question is why the number fell 28% in one year. It can be contributed to the following: In October 2019, one major manufacturer stopped selling most of the flavors except for menthol and tobacco flavor. In December of 2019, the Federal ban on sales to those under the age of 21. In February 2020, the Federal Government banned the sale of all pod based vape except menthol and tobacco. He said that he could explain why those products remained on the market. In September 2020, the deadline for the companies to file a pre-market tobacco application with the FDA. Any new tobacco product marketed after February 2007 must have an application approval and it is an incredibly high standard. December 2020, Congress tightened the sales of delivery of tobacco products and limited the use of the Post Office regarding this product. UPS and FedEx stopped delivering vaping and tobacco products to people's homes. The availability of tobacco products has been drastically reduced. These are all Federal regulations and far more effective than a local ordinance.

Mr. Shaer recommended that the City allow these new policies some time to take effect because there have already been positive results. He added he was happy to take any questions.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Nieves closed the public speaking session at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Service.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ganim called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:15 p.m.

**PRAYER**

Mayor Ganim asked Council Member Brantley to lead the Council in prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Ganim asked Council Member Cruz to lead those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk called the roll.

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During the roll call, there appeared to be no response from any individual whose name is listed in italics.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

• **January 19, 2021**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY MOVED THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 2021.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 2021 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:**

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**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO REFER THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS TO COMMITTEES:**

**22-20 COMMUNICATION FROM TAX COLLECTOR RE: PROPOSED ASSIGNMENT OF TAX LIENS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, REFERRED TO CONTRACTS COMMITTEE.**

**23-20 COMMUNICATION FROM OPED RE: PROPOSED PROGRAM YEAR 47 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG); HOMELESS EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (HESG); HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP AND HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA), REFERRED TO ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.**

**24-20 COMMUNICATION FROM WPCA RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING FINANCING FOR THE DESIGN, REHABILITATION, UPGRADING AND CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS, REFERRED TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON:**

**196-19 Ordinance Committee Report re: Amendment to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend to add New Chapter 12.17 – Establishing an Honorary Street Naming Program in the City of Bridgeport.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 196-19 ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT RE: AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 12.17 – ESTABLISHING AN HONORARY STREET NAMING PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT.  
\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

Council Member Brown said that the item had been debated and amended a number of times. He said that he felt they should pass it as the committee approved it. It is a fair item and encouraged everyone to support it without amending it.

Council Member Herron said that that it was a good start to the resolution but would be voting no because of the fee charges. She commended the Committee for working on this, but still would be voting no.

Council Member Brantley said that in terms of the matter, she would be voting no because it was never made clear where the funding would come from. It is not right to have it come from the Council Member stipend or have the family members pay for it.

Council Member Taylor-Moye said she was opposed to this and felt that the goal was to honor someone who benefited the City and therefore they shouldn't charge. The fee should not be included. This had been discussed for many years. They should take some time to make sure it was done correctly.

Council Member McBride-Lee said she would be voting against this also because she felt that the color should be different. She said they were talking about residents who lived in the City and paid taxes to the City. They should not have to pay to honor someone with an honorary street sign. This is heartless, which she was not pleased to say.

Council Member McBride-Lee then spoke about Charles Tisdale and the contributions he made to the City.

Council Member Newton asked the Chair if he would consider taking the fees out. It is too important not to pass because it changes the color and shape of the sign. The City needs a policy to govern the signage. They can always go back and change the ordinance. He repeated his request that the Co-chairs reconsider the fees.

Council Member Pereira said that Council Member Newton had just announced that the majority of the Council was against the item. She said that she was against this because there were issues with emergencies and also felt that her constituents should not have to pay for the signage. It would cost 10 people \$17.50 each to cover the cost of the sign.

There was a number of compromises made. She will vote for it, but will be voting against any individual honorary street naming's.

Council Member Lyons said that she was confused because when it was in Committee, there were compromises and the Committee approved the item as amended. This discussion makes it seem like they are back at Square 1 again.

Council Member Cruz thanked the Ordinance Committee for their efforts. He said that he would support it except for the fee. This would basically be punishing people who have benefited the City. Their families are not the ones that should be paying for the signage.

Council Member Valle said that they were still discussing the street naming. Four members of the committee came up with the language. She mentioned that her father was tragically killed on Connecticut Avenue. But she would not want to go by Connecticut Avenue and see her father's name there because he died there because someone was speeding.

The fee was lowered by agreement. The fact that someone commented that they would not establish a scholarship in the name of the people rather having a street sign. Senator Gomes had a scholarship established in the amount of \$25,000.

Council Member Brantley requested a roll call vote. She added that she agreed to support this if they lowered the fee, but after thinking about it, she felt it was demoralizing to ask families to raise the money,

Atty. Anastasi said that Chapter 5, Section 7A gives the Council the right to create the Ordinance with a vote of 11.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 196-19 ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT RE: AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 12.17 – ESTABLISHING AN HONORARY STREET NAMING PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT PASSED WITH FOURTEEN (14) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, BROWN, DEFILIPPO, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, PEREIRA, SULIMAN, NEWTON AND ROMAN-CHRISTY) AND SIX (6) OPPOSED (CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BRANTLEY, HERRON, MCBRIDE-LEE AND MARTINEZ).**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BURNS MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD AN ITEM 16-20 APPOINTMENT OF JACQUELINE MARTORAL (U) TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS.**

**\*\*COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira asked if they would be voting on the item. Mayor Ganim said that they would be voting on the item.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE SUSPEND THE RULE TO ADD AGENDA ITEM 196-19 ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT RE: AMENDMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 12.17 – ESTABLISHING AN HONORARY STREET NAMING PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT TO THE AGENDA PASSED WITH FIFTEEN (15) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, VIZZO-PANICCIA, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN, NEWTON AND MARTINEZ) AND FIVE (5) OPPOSED (DEFILIPPO, HERRON, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE AND PEREIRA).**

**16-20 Appointment of Jacqueline Martoral (U) to the Board of Assessment Appeals.**

Council Member Pereira said that they would have to take a vote for immediate consideration.

Council Member Newton said that up until recently they could all go to Miscellaneous matters Committee meetings, but that changed when they were no longer allowed to attend Miscellaneous matters if they go into Executive Session. They should move forward with the vote to fill the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Council Member Lyons said that she had nothing against the candidate, but she was in the Ordinance Public Hearings. She would like more information on the candidates. The Council should know who they are voting for. She said that the attorneys need to work this out.

Council Member Cruz said that he was going to turn this down because there was a list of Commissioners who have expired terms. They are not giving any opportunities for other residents to participate on these Commissioners. He will vote no on this and will continue to vote against candidates until he sees some changes. This is unfair. He referred someone to the Police Commission but the background check turned up something that happened 25 years ago. This is a personal protest.

Council Member Brantley said that she thought Council Member Burns had made it clear why the Committee had to meet this evening and needed to take action tonight. This is a temporary board and the position needs to be looked at in terms of the re-evaluation. She asked if they could move the question.

Mayor Ganim said that he would let Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia and Council Member Herron speak and then they would vote.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that they had the opportunity to ask questions of the Chairs. There is personnel issues involved. It's not right to not vote because of personal issues. They need to move this forward. The candidate has passed the background checks and is a potential candidate.

Council Member Herron said that she had to leave the Miscellaneous Matters meeting and then returned to the meeting. The appointment process is too tedious and too long. No one wants to be treated like a criminal. They cannot continue to stall the issues. The Ethics Commission needs to move forward.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 16-20 APPOINTMENT OF JACQUELINE MARTORAL (U) TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS PASSED WITH FOURTEEN (14) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, HERRON, VIZZO-PANICCIA, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, NEWTON AND MARTINEZ) AND SIX (6) OPPOSED (CRUZ, DEFILIPPO, MCBRIDE-LEE, PEREIRA, LYONS, AND SULIMAN).**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BURNS MOVED TO ADD THE REFERRAL OF 5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN TO THE AGENDA.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that she had not received a copy of the Capital Plan.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO ADD THE REFERRAL OF THE 5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN TO THE AGENDA PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BURNS MOVED TO REFER THE 5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN TO APPROPRIATE TO COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO REFER THE 5 YEAR CAPITAL PLAN TO APPROPRIATE TO COMMITTEE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (ITEM #25-20)**

**\*\* COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION FOR PY 47 CDBG COMMITTEE.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BRANTLEY SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that under the federal guidelines, the Committee appointments were for 2 years. The previous Committee continues to serve.

Council Member Newton said that it has been the practice of the Council President to choose the members of the Committee. Council Member Pereira stated that she was opposed because this was a violation of federal law.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION FOR PY 47 CDBG COMMITTEE PASSED WITH NINETEEN (19) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, DEFILIPPO, HERRON, VIZZO-PANICCIA, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN NEWTON AND MARTINEZ) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

**\*\* COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE PY47 CDBG COMMITTEE:**

**COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON, CO-CHAIR  
COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE, CO-CHAIR  
COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ  
COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA  
COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ  
COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAN-CHRISTY  
COUNCIL MEMBER SULIMAN**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE PY47 CDBG COMMITTEE AS PRESENTED PASSED WITH NINETEEN (19) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, DEFILIPPO, HERRON, VIZZO-PANICCIA, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SULIMAN NEWTON AND MARTINEZ) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

Council Member Pereira stated for the record that she would be filing a complaint with HUD because this was a violation of federal law.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

Mayor Ganim asked Mr. Flatto to make sure that the Council Members receive a copy of the 5 Year Capital Plan. Mr. Nkwo replied that the 5 Year Capital Plan had been submitted electronically.

**\*\* THE MOTION TO ADJOURN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services





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Tax Collector

COMM. 22-20 Ref'd to Contracts Committee on 03/01/20

February 11, 2021

To: Frances Ortiz  
Assistant City Clerk

From: Veronica Jones  
Tax Collector

Re: Proposed Resolution

Please place the enclosed proposed resolution on the agenda of the next Council meeting for referral to the Contracts and Appointments Committee. The purpose is to authorize the assignment of liens for the fiscal year 2021.

Thank you.

cc: Honorable Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor  
Kenneth Flatto, Finance Director

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Mayor

BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to C.G.S. Section 12-195h, The City Council of the City of Bridgeport authorize and approve the assignment for consideration of any or all tax liens by the Tax Collector to secure unpaid taxes on real property as provided under the provision of Chapter 206 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, including sections 7-148 and 12-195h, the City Council of the City of Bridgeport hereby authorized the Tax Collector and the Director of Finance and/ or the Mayor of the City of Bridgeport to bid or negotiate, enter into and execute any and all agreements as are reasonably necessary to effectuate the assignment of real property tax liens in form and substance satisfactory to the Mayor, the Director of Finance, the Tax Collector and the City Attorney.

COMM. #23-20 Ref'd to ECD&E Committee on 3/1/2021



JOSEPH P. GANIM  
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THOMAS GILL  
Director

GINNE-RAE CLAY  
Deputy Director

TO: Honorable Members of the Bridgeport City Council

FROM: William Coleman  
Deputy Director of OPED *WJC 2/22/2021*

RE: Program 47 Annual Action Plan  
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG);  
Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG);  
HOME Investment Partnership; and  
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

DATE: February 22, 2021 - For Referral to Economic Development and Community  
Development and Environmental Committee

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For the upcoming fiscal year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") requires the City of Bridgeport to prepare and submit an Annual Action Plan for Program Year 47 which covers the period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. HUD requires municipalities such as Bridgeport to prepare an Annual Action Plan for the City to apply for and receive funds under the following four (4) formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). The city has not received official notification from HUD of its annual allocation. At HUD's direction and to meet certain deadlines related to citizen participation; the City Council authorizes the Office of Housing and Community Development to use its 2020-2021 (PY46) allocation as a base, to process requests for funding. Once the city receives its official allocation, the Office of Housing and Community Development is authorized to make even adjustments to all awards as dictated by the official allocation awarded to the city.

The PY47 Allocation is listed below:

Community Development Block Grant Program	\$3,415,850.00
Homeless Emergency Solution Grant	\$284,467.00
HOME	\$1,207,857.00
HOPWA	\$929,818.72

The City advertised the anticipated availability of funding in December 2020. Applications became available on January 08, 2021. **Application were accepted online only.** The following technical assistance sessions were held:

CDBG

Zoom Meeting Information – Dial In: (929)436-2866

Tuesday, January 12, 2021	10:00am – 11:30am	<b>Meeting ID:</b> 972 2924 3306
<b>Passcode:</b> 818359		
Wednesday, January 13, 2021	1:00pm – 2:30pm	<b>Meeting ID:</b> 917 0525 0864
<b>Passcode:</b> 466636		
Thursday, January 14, 2021	10:00am – 11:30am	<b>Meeting ID:</b> 966 5065 3313
<b>Passcode:</b> 138290		

HOPWA/ESG

Zoom Meeting Information – Dial In: (929)436-2866

Tuesday, January 19, 2021	1:00pm – 2:30pm	<b>Meeting ID:</b> 998 7424 5371
<b>Passcode:</b> 337957		
Wednesday, January 20, 2021	10:00am – 11:30am	<b>Meeting ID:</b> 922 6832 7869
<b>Passcode:</b> 249661		

**Program applications were due February 12, 2021.**

The Citizen's Union and the Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) are scheduled for March 16th and March 18th, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. The Citizens Union is scheduled to deliberate and make recommendations on March 23, 2021. The Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was appointed by Council President Nieves on Monday, March 1, 2021. The Special Committee will deliberate and prepare final recommendation for City Council consideration on March 24, 2021. The staff of the Office of Housing and Community Development will be available at all meetings and hearings to answer questions and to provide additional information and support.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cc: Janene Hawkins, CAO  
Tom Gaudete, Mayor's Office  
Thomas Gill, OPED  
Anjerice Miller, HCD  
Milta Feliciano, HCD  
Mark Anastasi, City Attorney

**PROGRAM YEAR 47 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
HOMELESS EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM  
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM  
HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut (the "City") is required to prepare and submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") an *Annual Action Plan* which presents a vision statement of guidance, "to develop viable urban neighborhoods through comprehensive funding of programs that have the largest benefit to the City, and aid in the provision of a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities principally for low and moderate-income persons"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport will develop a *Program Year 47 ("PY 47") Annual Action Plan* and anticipates the following allocation of federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for FY 2021-2022; and

WHEREAS, the city has not received official notification from HUD of its annual allocation. At HUD's direction and to meet certain deadlines related to citizen participation, the City Council authorizes the Office of Housing and Community Development to use its 2020-2021 (PY46) allocation as a base to process requests for funding. Once the city receives its official allocation, the Office of Housing and Community Development is authorized to make even adjustments to all awards as dictated by the official allocation awarded to the city. The PY47 allocation is listed below:

Community Development Block Grant Program	\$ 3,415,850.00
Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant Program	\$ 284,467.00
HOME	\$ 1,207,857.00
HOPWA	\$ 958,576.00

WHEREAS, two joint public hearings are scheduled to be held, by the Citizen's Union and the Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of the City Council on March 16th and 18th, 2021. The Citizen's Union will deliberate and vote on March 23, 2021. The Special Committee on CDBG will deliberate and vote on March 24, 2021. The Special Committee recommendations will be posted for a 15-day public comment period on March 26, 2021 prior to being submitted for a full council consideration. That public comment period will end on April 12, 2021, at noon. The final Annual Action Plan and Resolution is expected to be presented to the full City Council on April 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport City Council will vote to accept the *PY47 Annual Action Plan, when submitted*, as part of the City's *Five Year 2020-2024 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan* in order for the City to apply for, and receive funds under the following four formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Program; HOME Investment Partnerships ("HOME") Program; the Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant ("HESG") Program and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Program; and

Now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Bridgeport, and/or his designees, the Director or the Deputy Director of the Office of Planning and Economic Development, is/are hereby authorized and empowered to sign the required certifications and any necessary documents and/or agreements required by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to accept and execute the Community Block Grant Program, Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant Program, HOME Program, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program.

PY 47 Funding Requests and Allocations  
 CDBG, HESG, HOPWA and HOME

2/19/2021

	Agency Name	PY 47 Request	PY47 Citizen Union Recommendations	PY47 City Council Approval
	<b>CDBG</b>			
1	Newfield Little League Baseball - Newfield Park Youth Baseball	\$10,000.00		
2	Children in Placement - Guardian ad Litem Program	\$30,000.00		
4	Liberations Program - Community Recovery Coach	\$32,033.50		
5	Klein Memorial Auditorium Foundation - Klein Theatre Arts	\$25,000.00		
6	Ortiz Boxing Gym Inc, LLC.	\$75,000.00		
8	COB Dept. of Public Facilities - Mayor Conservation Corp.	\$60,000.00		
9	Downtown Cabaret Theatre	\$57,600.00		
13	Applied Behavioral Rehabilitation Institute, Inc. - Home for the Brave House Monitors	\$37,440.00		
15	McGivney Community Center - After School Program	\$30,000.00		
17	The Hoops and Dreams Foundation Inc.	\$15,000.00		
18	<del>The Boys Club &amp; Girls Club of Bridgeport, Inc. - Project Learn - Withdrawn</del>	\$116,302.00		
21	The Boys Club & Girls Club of Bridgeport, Inc. - Project Learn	\$116,302.00		
22	Bernard Buddy Jordan Foundation - Brothers Table Community Circle	\$15,000.00		
23	Untied Way of Coastal Fairfield County - PT Partners' Resident Emergency Fund - The Sunshine Club	\$32,798.40		
24	Career Resources, Inc. - Strive Bridgeport Women's Re-entry Program	\$20,000.00		
25	The Color a Positive Thought Organization - CAPT Leadership Program	\$15,000.00		
26	Bridgeport Caribe Youth Leaders - Developing Tomorrow's Leaders	\$40,000.00		
28	Cardinal Shehan Center - Counselor in Training (CIT) Job Readiness Program	\$15,000.00		
31	Alliance for Community Empowerment - Basic Skills for Everyday Living	\$49,500.00		
32	The Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport - CREATE Culinary Careers Training Program Expansion	\$25,000.00		
33	Today's Students Tomorrow's Teachers - TSTT - Reimagined	\$40,000.00		
35	The Center for Family Justice, Inc. - Pro Bono Legal Center for Victims of Domestic Violence in Bridgeport	\$96,430.00		
36	Bridgeport Fire Department - Fire Safe Seniors Program	\$26,218.00		

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	Agency Name	PY 47 Request	PY47 Citizen Union Recommendations	PY47 City Council Approval
37	Hall Neighborhood House - HNH Early Learning Center Technology	\$15,400.00		
38	Hall Neighborhood House - Senior Center Appliances	\$2,239.05		
39	Hall Neighborhood House - Youth Program Technology - Learning Any Where Any Time	\$7,700.00		
43	Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust, Inc., doing Business as Building Neighborhoods Together - Rental Assistance Capacity Building Program	\$50,000.00		
45	Central Connecticut Coast YMCA - Bridgeport Y-Ralphola Taylor Community Center	\$35,000.00		
46	Groundworks Bridgeport, Inc. - Urban Fellows	\$20,000.00		
47	City of Bridgeport Youth Services/Lighthouse - YSB Match	\$50,000.00		
50	Green Village Initiative - Beautifying neighborhoods and engaging public school students in gardening.	\$21,450.00		
51	Bridgeport Community Land Trust - Bridgeport Community Gardens	\$20,000.00		
52	Green Village Initiative - Beautifying neighborhoods while providing fresh food and safe socialization.	\$4,550.00		
53	Full Circle Youth Empowerment - Renew the Neighborhood and the Hood Program	\$20,000.00		
54	ACCESS Educational Services, Inc. - ACCESS STEM Programs	\$20,000.00		
56	Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse Inc. - Sports for Peace	\$62,694.00		
57	The Village Initiative Project, Inc. - V.I.P. College Tours	\$50,000.00		
	Public Service Total Requests	\$1,358,656.95		
	Total Public Service Funds are capped at 15% of total CDBG allocation		\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>CDBG - Public Facilities</b>			
7	Continuum of Care Inc. - Crisis Center Vestibule Renovation	\$25,000.00		
10	Hall Neighborhood House - HNH Lower Level Renovation	\$589,266.00		
12	Wakeman Boys & Girls Club - Madison Avenue Generator Project	\$447,000.00		
14	McGivney Community Center - Facility Upgrade	\$477,819.00		
20	<del>The Boys Club &amp; Girls Club of Bridgeport, Inc. - Building Renovations - Incomplete Application</del>	\$950,000.00		
27	Cardinal Shehan Center - Facility Upgrade	\$300,000.00		
29	New Reach, Inc. - Capital Request	\$32,000.00		
30	Alliance for Community Empowerment - Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements Rehabilitation and Preservation	\$300,000.00		



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CDBG, HESG, HOPIWA and HOME

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	Agency Name	PY 47 Request	PY47 Citizen Union Recommendations	PY47 City Council Approval
40	Bridgeport Hope School, Inc. - Bathroom Renovations	\$45,000.00		
41	Bridgeport Downtown Special Services District - Colorful Bridgeport Downtown Open Space Beautification	\$30,000.00		
44	St.-Mark's-Day-Care-Center, Inc. - Incomplete Application	\$43,675.00		
48	Chemical Abuse Services Agency, Inc. - CASA Recovery House Bathroom Renovations	\$160,595.00		
55	Bridgeport Community Land Trust - Bridgeport Community Gardens	\$20,000.00		
	Public Facilities Total Requests	\$6,137,668.90		
	Public Facilities Funds Awarded		\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>CDBG - Housing</b>			
11	Columbus Commons Condominium - Siding & Windows Project	\$200,000.00		
16	Bridgeport Fire Department - Free Smoke Alarm Program	\$50,000.00		
34	Third Stone Ridge Cooperative, Inc. - Boiler Replacement Project	\$168,000.00		
42	City of Bridgeport: Health Department - Bridgeport Lead Hazard Control CDBG Match	\$25,000.00		
	City of Bridgeport: OPED/HCD Homeowner Rehab	\$150,000.00		
	City of Bridgeport: OPED/HCD Housing Delivery Cost	\$175,000.00		
	Housing Total Requests	\$ 768,000.00		
	Housing Funds Awarded		\$0.00	\$0.00
	<b>CDBG - Economic Development</b>			
3	East End NRZ Market LLC. - Eastend NRZ Market Container Farm	\$100,000.00		
19	Bridgeport Arts + Cultural Council - Project Main Street	\$95,000.00		
49	Work Around Studio LLC. - Work Around Kitchen: Local Talent	\$60,000.00		
	Economic Development Total Requests	\$255,000.00		
	Total Economic Development Funds Awarded		\$0.00	\$0.00
	Total Public Facilities/Housing/Econ. Development Requested	\$7,160,668.90		
	Total Public Facilities/Housing/Econ. Development Available for Allocation		\$0.00	\$0.00
	**Total Reprogramming Amount Available for PF/Housing (estimate)			

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 CDBG, HESG, HOPWA and HOME

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Agency Name	PY 47 Request	PY47 Citizen Union Recommendations	PY47 City Council Approval
<b>Section 108 - pending final payment acknowledgement</b>			
<b>CDBG - Planning/Administration</b>			
Administration	\$683,170.00		
Total Admin Funds Awarded			
Total CDBG Funding Awarded			
Total CDBG ADMIN			
To Be Awarded			
Total CDBG Allocation			
<b>HESG - Emergency Solutions Grant</b>			
Street Outreach			
Total Street Outreach Awarded	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Emergency Shelter			
Central Connecticut Coast YMCA - Alpha Community Services YMCA - Families in Transition	\$75,000.00		
Total Emergency Shelter Awarded	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HMIS			
CT Coalition	\$25,000.00		
Total HMIS Awarded	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Homeless Prevention			
Alliance for Community Empowerment - Emergency Utility Assistance	\$50,000.00		
Alliance for Community Empowerment - Homelessness Prevention/Emergency Rental Assistance	\$50,000.00		
New Reach, Inc. - Stable Families Program	\$35,000.00		
Supportive Housing Works - Bridgeport Homelessness Prevention Fund	\$65,000.00		
City of Bridgeport Department of Health and Social Services - Emergency Solution Grant	\$70,000.00		
Total Homeless Prevention Awarded	\$270,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rapid Rehousing			

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 CDBG, HESG, HOPWA and HOME

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Agency Name	PY 47 Request	PY47 Citizen Union Recommendations	PY47 City Council Approval
Supportive Housing Works - Rapid Rehousing Program	\$100,000.00		
Total Rapid Rehousing Awarded	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total HP/RR Requests Received	\$370,000.00		
HP/RR Available (35% of total after admin)	\$0.00		
Total HESG Awarded	\$370,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Administrative (7.5% a of allocation)	\$21,335.03		
Total HESG Funding Allocation		\$284,467.00	\$0.00
<b>HOPWA - Housing Opportunities for People With HIV/AIDS</b>			
Mid Fairfield AIDS Project, Inc.	\$194,140.00		
Apex Community Care Housing	\$255,883.00		
Chemical Abuse Services Agency - CASA Noble House	\$241,139.00		
Catholic Charities of Fairfield County	\$170,000.00		
Inspirica Inc., McKinney Stamford	\$210,831.00		
Recovery Network of Programs, Inc. - Prospect House Scattered Site Housing (PHSS)	\$175,492.17		
Total HOPWA Awarded	\$1,247,485.17	\$0.00	\$0.00
Administrative (3% a of allocation)	\$28,757.28	\$28,757.28	\$ -
Total HOPWA Funding Allocation		\$958,576.00	\$0.00
<b>HOME Program</b>			
Administration (10% of allocation)	\$120,785.70	\$120,785.70	\$0.00
Total Available for Affordable Housing Development	-	\$1,087,071.30	\$0.00
HOME Program Funding Allocation		\$1,207,857.00	\$0.00



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Lauren McBennett Mappa, P.E.  
General Manager

COMM. 24-20 Ref'd to Budget & Appropriations Committee  
on 03/01/2021.

To: Lydia Martinez  
City Clerk  
City of Bridgeport  
45 Lyons Terrace  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Re: Placing a Resolution Regarding Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades to City Council

Dear Ms. Martinez,

The Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) for the City of Bridgeport would like to add a resolution approving financing for the design, rehabilitation, upgrading and construction of various renovations and improvements to the City's wastewater treatment plant. The resolution is included with this letter. Please place this item on the City Council's agenda.

Thank you,

Lauren McBennett Mappa, PE  
General Manager  
WPCA City of Bridgeport  
695 Seaview Avenue  
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**CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT**

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**RESOLUTION APPROVING FINANCING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$395,000,000 FOR  
THE DESIGN, REHABILITATION, UPGRADING AND CONSTRUCTION OF  
VARIOUS RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S WASTEWATER  
TREATMENT PLANTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bridgeport (the "City") has been obligated since 1983 to make repairs and renovations to its Wastewater Treatment Plants, including the West Side Wastewater Treatment Plant (the "West Side Treatment Plant") and the East Side Wastewater Treatment Plant (the "East Side Treatment Plant," together with the West Side Treatment Plant, the "Treatment Plants") pursuant to a Consent Order entered into between the City and the State of Connecticut and orders issued by the State of Connecticut's Department of Environmental Protection and has retained independent consultants to evaluate the problems at the facilities and to recommend solutions to the deficiencies which have been found to exist at these facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, based on plans and engineering reports dated January 2012 and October 2013, respectively, entitled "Bridgeport Sludge Processing System Evaluation" approved April 2018 and "Bridgeport Low Level Nitrogen Removal Study" approved March 2018 (together the "Facilities Report") the costs of designing, rehabilitating, upgrading and constructing the next phase of improvements at the Treatment Plants (the "Treatment Plants Improvements") were initially anticipated to be approximately \$75,000,000;

**WHEREAS**, on September 18, 2018, the Water Pollution Control Authority of the City of Bridgeport (the "WPCA") passed a resolution (i) approving the design and construction of various improvements at the Treatment Plants, in order that the Treatment Plants continue to comply with the State issued orders and all applicable federal, state and local law requirements, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plants Improvements as well as additional rehabilitations, upgrades and construction, (ii) approving the financing of such improvements in an amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the Connecticut General Statutes (the "Clean Water Fund Statutes"), and (iii) recommending to the City Council of the City of Bridgeport (the "City Council") the approval of the financing of such improvements through loans and other obligations available under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Statutes (the "2018 WPCA Resolution");

**WHEREAS**, on October 9, 2018, the City Council passed a resolution approving the financing of the design and construction of various improvements at the Treatment Plants, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plant Improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the WPCA received a "Facilities Plan for the West Side and East Side Wastewater Treatment Plants" dated November 2020 (the "2020 Facilities Plan"), which

incorporates recommendations from and supersedes the Facilities Report, and based on the 2020 Facilities Plan, additional rehabilitations, upgrades and construction were recommended at the Treatment Plants; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the 2020 Facilities Plan, the appropriation for costs associated with designing, rehabilitating, upgrading and constructing the improvements at the Treatment Plants and the financing authorization for same needed to be increased from \$75,000,000 to \$395,000,000; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 16, 2021, the WPCA passed a resolution (i) approving the design and construction of various improvements at the Treatment Plants, in order that the Treatment Plants continue to comply with the State issued orders and all applicable federal, state and local law requirements, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plants Improvements as well as additional rehabilitations, upgrades and construction, (ii) approving the financing of such improvements in an amount not to exceed \$395,000,000 through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the Connecticut General Statutes (the "Clean Water Fund Statutes"), and (iii) recommending to the City Council of the City of Bridgeport (the "City Council") the approval of the financing of such improvements through loans and other obligations available under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Statutes (the "2021 WPCA Resolution").

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

(a) That the City Council, having reviewed the recommendations of the WPCA as evidenced by the Resolution adopted by the WPCA on February 16, 2021, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, hereby approves the following list of improvements to the Treatment Plants including, without limitation, the Treatment Plants Improvements, to include the design, rehabilitation, upgrading and construction of the following improvements to the Treatment Plants (the "Projects"):

West Side Treatment Plant Upgrades: Design and implementation of the recommendations of the 2020 Facilities Plan for the West Side Treatment Plant only. The improvements at the West Side Treatment Plant include, but are not limited to, construction of preliminary treatment and primary treatment with expanded wet weather capacity, biological nitrogen removal upgrades, settling tank improvements, disinfection, sludge processing and disposal, resiliency upgrades to mitigate damaging effects of major storms and sea level rise, and all other necessary equipment and appurtenances to complete the upgrade.

East Side Treatment Plant Design Work: Preliminary design efforts at the East Side Treatment Plant for future upgrades and improvements.

(b) That in connection with the Projects, the City Council hereby authorizes and approves the execution and delivery of project funding agreements (the "Agreements") between the City, the WPCA and the State of Connecticut (the "State") substantially in such form as may

be required by the State. The Mayor of the City and any of the Chairman, Vice Chairman or General Manager of the WPCA is authorized to sign such Agreements by their manual or facsimile signature.

(c) That, in connection with the Projects and to evidence loan or loans under the Clean Water Fund, the City Council hereby authorizes and approves the sale, issuance, rollover and/or reissuance by the City from time to time of project loan obligations, interim funding obligations or other obligations meeting the conditions prescribed in the Clean Water Fund Statutes (collectively, the "Obligations") in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Ninety-Five Million Dollars (\$395,000,000). The Obligations shall be issued pursuant and subject to the Clean Water Fund Statutes. To meet any portion of the costs of the Projects determined to be eligible for funding under said Clean Water Fund program, the City may issue its project loan obligations to the State and may issue interim funding obligations in anticipation of such project loan obligations in such denominations as may be appropriate. Any such interim funding obligations may be renewed from time to time by the issuance of other notes, provided the final maturity of such notes do not exceed the maximum period permitted under Section 22a-479 of the General Statutes. The Obligations shall be secured as to both principal and interest by a pledge of revenues to be derived from sewerage system use and/or connection charges or benefit assessments or both. The Obligations shall also be secured by the full faith and credit of the City. The Mayor of the City and any of the Chairman, Vice Chairman or General Manager of the WPCA shall sign such Obligations by their manual or facsimile signatures. The Obligations shall bear the seal of the City or a facsimile of the seal.

(d) That, in addition to the Obligations described above, the Mayor of the City and the WPCA, acting by its Chairman, Vice Chairman, General Manager or any of them, is authorized to apply for and accept federal and state grants to help defray the costs of the Projects. Any grant proceeds may be used to pay costs of the Projects or principal and interest on the Obligations authorized hereunder.

(e) That, in connection with the Projects, the WPCA is authorized to (i) design, rehabilitate, upgrade and construct the Projects, (ii) approve and incur the costs associated with the design and construction of the Projects, including but not limited to all applicable design and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, land acquisition, architects' fees, engineering fees, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs and expenses related to the Projects in an amount not to exceed \$395,000,000, (iii) finance such Projects through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund Statutes in an amount not to exceed \$395,000,000 which loans shall be secured as to both principal and interest by a pledge of WPCA revenues to be derived from sewerage system use and/or connection charges or benefit assessments or both, and (iv) contract with engineers, contractors and others for the Projects.

(f) That the Mayor of the City and the WPCA, acting by its Chairman, Vice Chairman, General Manager or any of them, and any other proper officers of the City are authorized to execute all such other documents and perform all other acts which are necessary or appropriate to enter into the Agreements, to construct and complete the Projects and to issue and

sell the Obligations, including, but not limited to, determining the terms and other details of the Obligations.

(g) That any and all actions taken by the Mayor, the WPCA or any other officers of the City or the WPCA in connection with the Projects are hereby ratified and confirmed.



Exhibit A

**RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL  
AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT**

**(Approved as of February 16, 2021)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bridgeport (the "City") has been obligated since 1983 to make repairs and renovations to its Wastewater Treatment Plants, including the West Side Wastewater Treatment Plant (the "West Side Treatment Plant") and the East Side Wastewater Treatment Plant (the "East Side Treatment Plant," together with the West Side Treatment Plant, the "Treatment Plants") pursuant to a Consent Order entered into between the City and the State of Connecticut and orders issued by the State of Connecticut's Department of Environmental Protection and has retained independent consultants to evaluate the problems at the facilities and to recommend solutions to the deficiencies which have been found to exist at these facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, based on plans and engineering reports dated January 2012 and October 2013, respectively, entitled "Bridgeport Sludge Processing System Evaluation" approved April 2018 and "Bridgeport Low Level Nitrogen Removal Study" approved March 2018 (together the "Facilities Report") the costs of designing, rehabilitating, upgrading and constructing the next phase of improvements at the Treatment Plants (the "Treatment Plants Improvements") were initially anticipated to be approximately \$75,000,000;

**WHEREAS**, on September 18, 2018, the Water Pollution Control Authority of the City of Bridgeport (the "WPCA") passed a resolution (i) approving the design and construction of various improvements at the Treatment Plants, in order that the Treatment Plants continue to comply with the State issued orders and all applicable federal, state and local law requirements, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plants Improvements as well as additional rehabilitations, upgrades and construction, (ii) approving the financing of such improvements in an amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the Connecticut General Statutes (the "Clean Water Fund Statutes"), and (iii) recommending to the City Council of the City of Bridgeport (the "City Council") the approval of the financing of such improvements through loans and other obligations available under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Statutes (the "2018 WPCA Resolution");

**WHEREAS**, on October 9, 2018, the City Council passed a resolution approving the financing of the design and construction of various improvements at the Treatment Plants, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plant Improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 22a-475 to 22a-483 of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the WPCA received a “Facilities Plan for the West Side and East Side Wastewater Treatment Plants” dated November 2020 (the “2020 Facilities Plan”), which incorporates recommendations from and supersedes the Facilities Report;

**WHEREAS**, based on the 2020 Facilities Plan, additional rehabilitations, upgrades and construction were recommended at the Treatment Plants;

**WHEREAS**, the WPCA desires to increase the appropriation for costs associated with designing, rehabilitating, upgrading and constructing the improvements at the Treatment Plants and the financing authorization for same from \$75,000,000 to \$395,000,000.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the list of improvements to the Treatment Plants included in the 2018 Resolution, including, without limitation, the Treatment Plants Improvements, is hereby amended and restated to include the design, rehabilitation, upgrading and construction of the following improvements at the Treatment Plants (the “Projects”):

West Side Treatment Plant Upgrades: Design and implementation of the recommendations of the 2020 Facilities Plan for the West Side Treatment Plant only. The improvements at the West Side Treatment Plant include, but are not limited to, construction of preliminary treatment and primary treatment with expanded wet weather capacity, biological nitrogen removal upgrades, settling tank improvements, disinfection, sludge processing and disposal, resiliency upgrades to mitigate damaging effects of major storms and sea level rise, and all other necessary equipment and appurtenances to complete the upgrade.

East Side Treatment Plant Design Work: Preliminary design efforts at the East Side Treatment Plant for future upgrades and improvements.

**RESOLVED**, that the WPCA hereby approves the Projects; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that, in connection with the Projects, the WPCA is authorized to (i) design, rehabilitate, upgrade and construct the Projects, (ii) approve and incur the costs associated with the design and construction of the Projects, including but not limited to all applicable design and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, materials, land acquisition, architects’ fees, engineering fees, legal fees, net temporary interest and other financing costs, and other costs and expenses related to the Projects in an amount not to exceed \$395,000,000, (iii) finance such Projects through a combination of federal and state grants and loans under the Clean Water Fund Statutes in an amount not to exceed \$395,000,000 which loans shall be secured as to both principal and interest by a pledge of WPCA revenues to be derived from sewerage system use and/or connection charges or benefit assessments or both, and (iv) contract with engineers, contractors and others for the Projects; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that, in connection with the Projects, the WPCA recommends to the City Council that the City Council authorize the City to do any and all things necessary and/or

appropriate (i) to obtain project loans and grants under the Clean Water Fund pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Statutes, or under any applicable Federal Program, in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Ninety-Five Million Dollars (\$395,000,000), such amount representing the total cost of the Projects, (ii) to approve the sale, issuance, rollover and/or reissuance by the City from time to time of project loan obligations, interim funding obligations, or other obligations meeting the conditions prescribed in the Clean Water Fund Statutes in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Ninety-Five Million Dollars (\$395,000,000), and (iii) to authorize the negotiation and execution of project funding agreements with the State of Connecticut and other governmental entities as may be required; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that, in connection with the Projects, the Chairman, Vice Chairman or General Manager of the WPCA, or any of them, be and is hereby authorized as applicable, (i) to execute and file applications on behalf of the WPCA with the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection of the State of Connecticut for project loans and grants, (ii) to apply for and accept project grants under any other applicable federal or state program, and (iii) to execute on behalf of the WPCA all the applications, agreements, instruments and documents, accept payments, make disbursements and do all other things that may be necessary or appropriate in order to obtain project loans and grants and to ensure that such improvements be completed; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that any and all actions taken by the by the WPCA in connection with the Projects are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Item# 196-19

Amendment to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend to add New Chapter 12.17 - Establishing an Honorary Street Naming Program in the City of Bridgeport.



**Report  
of  
Committee  
on  
Ordinance**

City Council Meeting Date: March 1, 2021

Attest: Lydia N. Martinez  
Lydia N. Martinez City Clerk

Approved by: [Signature]  
Joseph P. Gering, Mayor  
Date Signed: 3/3/2024

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# City of Bridgeport, Connecticut

## Office of the City Clerk

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*To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.*

The Committee on Ordinances begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

**Item No. 196-19**

**Be It ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Bridgeport, that the following amended language included in Exhibit A be made a part of the Municipal Code of Ordinances Chapter 12.17 – *Honorary Street Designations* effective upon publication.

### Exhibit A

#### **Chapter 12.17 – Honorary Street Designations**

##### **12.17.010 – Establishment and Purpose.**

- A. There is hereby established an Honorary Street Naming Program in the City of Bridgeport. The program sets forth criteria for requesting that a street be designated with an honorary street sign, fees to be paid, and process for seeking final approval by the City Council.

##### **12.17.020 – Designation of Administering Agency and Responsibilities.**

- A. The Office of the City Engineer is hereby designated the administering agency for the Honorary Street Naming Program.
- B. The City Engineer shall establish an application, to be made publicly available, which shall include all questions necessary and proper for the consideration of an honorary street sign designation including, but not limited to: the name of and biographical information for the honoree, the street intersections to be designated, the proposed wording of the honorary street sign, a description of the honoree's contribution to the City of Bridgeport and connection to the street or area be designated, and such other criteria as the City Engineer may deem appropriate. Applications must be filled out in their entirety in order to be considered.
- C. The City Engineer shall establish a petition form for honorary street sign designations, and applicants must file said petition—signed by residents representing at least fifty (50) percent of the addresses on the specific block being designated with honorary signage—at the time of application.



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- D. The applicant shall pay a one-time filing fee of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) to cover administration costs and the cost of the sign production and installation. The City shall, upon a negative vote of the City Council, refund the fee in its entirety to the applicant.

### **12.17.030 – Council Approval.**

- A. The City Engineer shall, upon a determination that the application is complete, forward the application and associated documents to the City Clerk for consideration by the City Council. The City Council shall have the power to review and approve or disapprove any request for an honorary street sign designation.
- B. Upon approval of the City Council, the Department of Public Facilities shall install honorary street signage which shall be distinct in color, shape, and size from the sign bearing the official name of the street.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
THE COMMITTEE ON  
ORDINANCES

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Marcus A. Brown, Co-Chair

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Rosalina Roman-Christy, Co-Chair

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Ernest E. Newton, II

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M. Evette Brantley

Item# 16-20

Appointment of Jacqueline Martoral (U) to the Board of Assessment Appeals.



Report  
of  
Committee  
on

Miscellaneous Matters

City Council Meeting Date: March 1, 2021  
(OFF THE FLOOR)

Attest: Lydia N. Martinez  
Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk

Approved by: Joseph P. Ganim  
Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date Signed: 3/3/2021

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# City of Bridgeport, Connecticut Office of the City Clerk

*To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.*

The Committee on Miscellaneous Matters begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

**Item No. 16-20**

**RESOLVED**, That the following named individual be, and hereby is, appointed to the Board of Assessment Appeals in the City of Bridgeport and that said appointment, be and hereby is, approved, ratified and confirmed.

**NAME**

**TERM EXPIRES**

Jacqueline Martoral (U)  
1540 Iranistan Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

December 31, 2023

\*This will fill a vacancy

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
THE COMMITTEE ON  
**MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia, D-134<sup>th</sup>, *Co-Chair*

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Scott Burns, D-130<sup>th</sup>, *Co-chair*

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Alfredo Castillo, D-136<sup>th</sup>

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M. Evette Brantley, D-132<sup>nd</sup>

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Matthew McCarthy, D-130<sup>th</sup>

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Denese Taylor-Moye, D-131<sup>st</sup>

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Samia S. Suliman, D-138<sup>th</sup>

**Council Date:** *March 1, 2021 (OFF THE FLOOR)*





CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
**OFFICE OF POLICY & MANAGEMENT**

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Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604  
Telephone 203-576-7963 Fax 203-332-5589

NESTOR N. NKWO  
Budget Director

JOSEPH P. GANIM  
Mayor

COMM. 25-20 Ref'd to Budget & Appropriations Committee  
on 03/01/2021 (Off The  
Floor).

February 23, 2021

The Honorable City Council Members  
C/O Lydia Martinez, City Clerk  
Office of the City Clerk  
45 Lyon Terrace  
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Dear Honorable Members,

In accordance with the City Charter, I hereby present the City of Bridgeport's Proposed Five-Year Capital Plan for the fiscal years 2022-2026 to be referred to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Nestor N. Nkwo  
Budget Director

cc: Frances Ortiz  
Aidee Nieves  
Mayor Joseph P. Ganim  
Daniel Shamas  
Thomas Gaudett

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FY2022-2026 MAYOR'S PROPOSED FIVE YEARS CAPITAL PLAN								
PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS	FY2020 Council Adopted Capital Plan As Amended	FY2021 Council Adopted Capital Plan	FY2022 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2023 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2024 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2025 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2026 Proposed Capital Plan	Total Proposed Capital Plan FY2022-FY2026
<b>BOARD OF EDUCATION:</b>								
BOE - Maintenance Veh. Cargo Vans (4 units)			100,000	52,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	317,000
BOE - Maintenance Veh. Pick up Trucks w/plows (4 units)			200,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	560,000
BOE - Maintenance Dpt.- Ride-On Scrubbers			130,000					130,000
BOE - Maintenance Dpt.- Landscaping Equipment			125,000					125,000
Nutrition Center-Roof Replacement (21% City Share)		315,000	554,000					554,000
Dunbar School-Elevator Repairs			138,000					138,000
Dunbar School -Refurface Playground (5-12 )				125,000				125,000
Dunbar School -Pavement					25,000			25,000
Hooker School HVAC Boiler Replacement (1 unit)			65,000					65,000
Hooker School-Playground				125,000				125,000
Hooker School-Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000				100,000
Hooker School-Paving				75,000				75,000
Hooker School- Restrooms Upgrade					80,000			80,000
Hooker School - Elevator Repairs			60,000					60,000
JFK Campus-High Horizons-Exterior Door Replacement					25,000			25,000
JFK Campus-High Horizons-Loading Dock/Driveway Repairs					75,000			75,000
JFK Campus-High Horizons-Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	250,000
JFK Campus-High Horizons-Restrooms Upgrades					200,000			200,000
JFK Campus-High Horizons-Student Lockers					100,000			100,000
Hall School- New Playground			150,000					150,000
Hall School- Masonry Pointing and Sealing			100,000					100,000
Hall School -Pavement					125,000			125,000
Hall School -Asbestos Abatement			50,000					50,000
Black Rock - 4 Exterior Doors				150,000				150,000
Blackham - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000		200,000
Black Rock - HVAC Boiler Replacement (1 unit )			80,000					80,000
Blackham - Lockers Replacement						150,000		150,000
Blackham - Renovate Student/Faculty Bathrooms			200,000					200,000
Blackham - Renovate Gymnasium						450,000		450,000
Columbus - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000		200,000
Columbus - Sidewalk Repair/Replace/Main Entrance Stairs						150,000		150,000
Columbus - Renovate Student Cafeteria ( Ceiling & Floor )					100,000			100,000
Columbus - Replace Unit Ventilators					300,000			300,000
Columbus - Replace 2 Boilers							300,000	300,000
Maplewood School -Gymnasium Floor Replacment			225,000					225,000
Maplewood School -Playground ( Design & Construction)				200,000				200,000
Maplewood School -Driveway Pavement				25,000				25,000
Maplewood School -Sidewalk & Curbing				65,000				65,000
Maplewood School -Roof Replacement (21%) City Share					1,300,000			1,300,000
Maplewood School - Boiler Replacement						140,000		140,000
Winthrop School - Playground					100,000			100,000
Winthrop School - Asbestos Abatement			50,000					50,000
Aquaculture - Boiler Replacement (1)			40,000					40,000
Aquaculture - Conference Room VAVS					50,000			50,000
Aquaculture - Install Drop Ceiling in Engine Lab						100,000		100,000
Skane School - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000		200,000
Skane School - Bathroom Renovation						80,000		80,000
Skane School - Paving					75,000			75,000
Sheridan School- Playground Resurfacing					35,000			35,000
Sheridan School- Exterior Doors Replacement						60,000		60,000
Sheridan School- Heating Controls			100,000					100,000
Sheridan School- Ceiling Repairs				50,000				50,000
SouthEnd - Exterior Lighting				25,000				25,000
SouthEnd - HVAC Controls			50,000					50,000
Central High Sch- Replace Gym Floor			400,000					400,000
Cesar Batallia - Replace Ice Storage Syst.w/Chiller	100,000	850,000						0
Cesar Batallia - Re-Surface 2-5 &5-12 Playgrounds						125,000		125,000
Cesar Batallia - Upgrade Lighting				120,000	120,000			240,000
Jettie Tisdale -Replace Ice Storage Syst. w/Chiller		1,000,000						0
Jettie Tisdale - Windows Repairs						80,000		80,000
Read School- Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	250,000
Read School- HVAC Controls					200,000			200,000

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Read School- Exterior Doors Replacement				50,000				50,000
Curiale School-Roof Replacement( 21% ) City Share			378,000					378,000
Curiale School-Exterior Door Replacement				60,000				60,000
Curiale School-Sidewalks					100,000			100,000
Curiale School-Replace Gym Floor					80,000			80,000
Cross - Main Office HVAC System Replacement			20,000					20,000
Cross School -New Emergency Generator			150,000					150,000
Cross SchoolMasonry Repairs					30,000			30,000
Cross School- Asbestos Abatement						100,000		100,000
JFK Multicultural -Exterior Door Replacement						25,000		25,000
JFK Multicultural - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	250,000
JFK Multicultural - Restrooms Upgrades					175,000			175,000
JFK Multicultural - Elevator Repairs				71,000				71,000
JFK Multicultural - Playground							160,000	160,000
JFK Campus - Common Area- Elevator Repairs			157,000					157,000
JFK Campus - Common Area- Gym New Partition Drs/Bleachers					110,000			110,000
JFK Campus - Common Area- Asbestos					50,000			50,000
Bryant School HVAC Equipment Replacement			300,000					300,000
Bryant School -Seal/Replace Basement Floors			75,000					75,000
Bryant School -Resurface Interior Corridor Walls) All Floors)							300,000	300,000
Bryant School -Asphalt Work					100,000			100,000
Edison School - Boiler Replacement (2 units) +Controls	160,000		30,000					30,000
Edison School - Restroom Upgrade					100,000			100,000
Edison School - Asbestos Abatement				50,000	50,000			100,000
Edison School - Electrical Upgrade				100,000				100,000
Edison School - Playgrounds			150,000					150,000
Edison School - Roof Replacement ( 21% ) City Share				900,000				900,000
Park City Magnet - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000		200,000
Park City Magnet - Gymnasium Floor Replacement						250,000		250,000
Park City Magnet - Renovate Student/Faculty Bathrooms			185,000			250,000		435,000
Park City Magnet - New Fire Alarm System							170,000	170,000
Barnum School-Campus- Resurface (2-5) & (5-12)playgrounds				36,000				36,000
Barnum School -New Loading Dock Entrance onto MLK Drive					40,000			40,000
Blackham - Masonry-Outside Pool Wall/Heating Syst.		125,000						0
Beardsley School - New Playground (2-5)			100,000					100,000
Beardsley School -Re-Surface Playground (5-12)				85,000				85,000
Beardsley School -Exterior Doors							75,000	75,000
Beardsly School - Asbestos Abatement					50,000			50,000
Beardsley School - Paving					100,000			100,000
Beardsley School - Electrical Upgrades				80,000				80,000
Beardsley School - Restrooms Upgrades					80,000			80,000
Beardsley School - Exterior Walls Pointing			150,000					150,000
Marin - HVAC Equipment-Replace 3 A/C Units	300,000					250,000		250,000
Marin School - Elevator Repair/Upgrades			90,000					90,000
Marin School - Ceiling Tiles Replacement				100,000				100,000
Marin School - Exterior Doors Replacement					100,000			100,000
Marin School - New Playground			175,000					175,000
Marin School - Paving			250,000					250,000
Hallen School HVAC Controls			250,000					250,000
Hallen School - Sidewalks				150,000				150,000
Hallen School - Asbestos Abatement			50,000	50,000	50,000			150,000
Hallen School - Pavement					50,000			50,000
Hallen School - Student Bathroom Renovations				200,000				200,000
Hallen School - Roof Replacment (21%) City Share					1,800,000			1,800,000
Hallen School - Exterior Walls Pointing			50,000					50,000
Hallen School - Boiler Replacement ( 1 unit )					70,000			70,000
Waltersville School -Major Electrical Upgrade-Computer Lab							500,000	500,000
Waltersville School -Replace two boilers			80,000		80,000			160,000
Waltersville School -Heating Controls Upgrades(incl. Library)				150,000				150,000
Waltersville School -Replcae 4 Exterior Doors				150,000				150,000
Waltersville School -Replcae Caferia/ Basement Floors			150,000					150,000
<b>TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>	<b>1,645,000</b>	<b>2,290,000</b>	<b>6,007,000</b>	<b>3,734,000</b>	<b>6,620,000</b>	<b>2,705,000</b>	<b>1,800,000</b>	<b>20,866,000</b>

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT  
FY2022-2026 MAYOR'S PROPOSED FIVE YEARS CAPITAL PLAN

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<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:</b>								
Land Management / Acquisition	1,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000		1,000,000		3,000,000
Amphitheater Additional Funding		4,500,000						0
City Owned Properties-Development Ready Program	1,000,000						1,000,000	1,000,000
Lafayette Blvd/Fairfield Ave./Redesign-(10 %City Match)	400,000		650,000					650,000
Remington Arms Site Improvement(FY20 Amendment)*	5,000,000		3,000,000	2,000,000				5,000,000
Gateway To South End/Citywide Strategic Acquisition	1,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000				2,000,000
Blight / Demolition / Clean Up/Property Management	3,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	6,000,000
Seaview Ave Corridor/Waterfront Proj(20% city match)(Amended)*	2,000,000	90,000						0
<b>TOTAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>14,000,000</b>	<b>4,590,000</b>	<b>6,650,000</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>	<b>17,650,000</b>
<b>PUBLIC FACILITIES:</b>								
Roadway Paving, Culverts, Intersections(Amendment)*	3,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	15,000,000
City / Neighborhood Beautification				150,000		150,000		300,000
Wonderland of Ice - Roof Replacement			1,000,000					1,000,000
Police Hq -Upper & Lower Parking Decks/Rooftop			1,336,000					1,336,000
Public Facilities Equipment	1,000,000	2,099,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	3,648,000	9,648,000
Muni Bldg. HVAC / Heating / Elec./ Facilities	1,450,000	840,000						0
City Wide Building & Security Improvements	1,000,000	2,073,000						0
New East Side Senior Center-Old Engine 10/Putnam St.			2,500,000					2,500,000
Facilities Assessments /Planning Studies					150,000			150,000
Energy Conservation /Conversion Program	250,000				250,000			250,000
Harbor Yard Ballpark Upgrades	150,000				1,000,000			1,000,000
752 East Main Street Demolition/ Rehabilitation		800,000						0
Street Lights Wattage Upgrade	500,000				500,000			500,000
Various Airport Improvements/Equipment's Projects		125,000	213,000	217,500	207,000	156,000	427,000	1,220,500
Parks Maintenance Equip(Include Golf Course)	400,000	765,000	340,000		667,000		1,210,000	2,217,000
Various Parks Improvements - Citywide	200,000			615,000	485,000	610,000	575,000	2,285,000
Side Walks/Street scape Replacements					1,000,000			1,000,000
Citywide Deco Lights	500,000				500,000			500,000
Traffic Lights Upgrades	125,000			125,000				125,000
Perry Memorial Arch.					500,000			500,000
Tennis Courts Improvement - Citywide	100,000				170,000		225,000	395,000
Kennedy Stadium	150,000	1,525,000			100,000			100,000
Park Restrooms - Citywide	120,000	125,000	125,000		450,000		475,000	1,050,000
Went Field Park Improvement				570,000		570,000		1,140,000
Golf Course Improvements	150,000		150,000	300,000	950,000	1,700,000	2,500,000	5,600,000
Beardsley Zoo Improvements	640,000	2,675,000		175,000	590,000	0	400,000	1,165,000
Police Fit-Up of Fac./Regional Training Ctr. (If no State Grant)					3,000,000			3,000,000
Chopsey Hill Road Bridge Design-City Match		250,000						0
Woodrow Avenue Bridge Design - City Match+50% City Share		200,000	150,000	250,000				400,000
Island Brook Ave/ Over Pequonnock Design-City Match			250,000					250,000
Beardsley Park Entrance/Nob Ave. Roundabout Design-City Match		200,000						0
Old Town Road -Design Realignment/Reconfig. 50% Trumbull			250,000					250,000
Citywide Bridges Engineering Assessment		250,000		500,000				500,000
Rooster River Conduit - Design/Rehabilitation					200,000	1,000,000		1,200,000
Island Brook Flood Control - Design- City Share					1,000,000			1,000,000
Northeast Flood Control - Design City Share						1,000,000		1,000,000
Ox Brook Flood Control - Design City Share							1,000,000	1,000,000
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC FACILITIES</b>	<b>15,935,000</b>	<b>14,927,000</b>	<b>9,314,000</b>	<b>6,902,500</b>	<b>15,719,000</b>	<b>11,186,000</b>	<b>14,460,000</b>	<b>57,581,500</b>

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT								
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT								
FY2022-2026 MAYOR'S PROPOSED FIVE YEARS CAPITAL PLAN								
PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS	FY2020 Council Adopted Capital Plan As Amended	FY2021 Council Adopted Capital Plan	FY2022 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2023 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2024 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2025 Proposed Capital Plan	FY2026 Proposed Capital Plan	Total Proposed Capital Plan FY2022-FY2026
<b>OTHER DEPARTMENTS:</b>								
Police Fleet Cars Upgrade			300,000					300,000
Fire Apparatus Replacement Program / Vehicles	705,000	725,000	750,000	1,725,000	892,000	850,000		4,217,000
WPCA Capital Improvements (Amended )*	1,140,000	1,295,000	1,065,000	980,000	1,280,000	1,005,000	400,000	4,730,000
Emergency Operations / Technology upgrade		125,000		932,108	514,650	153,000		1,599,758
Bpt. Library Proj.-Computers, floor,furniture,electrical,windows		675,000		75,000	825,000	175,000	40,000	1,115,000
New North End/Reservoir Avenue Library					2,000,000			2,000,000
Citywide Departments -Fiber Optics Installation					3,500,000			3,500,000
<b>TOTAL OTHER DEPARTMENTS</b>	<b>2,045,000</b>	<b>2,820,000</b>	<b>2,115,000</b>	<b>3,712,108</b>	<b>9,011,650</b>	<b>2,183,000</b>	<b>440,000</b>	<b>17,461,758</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL DEPARTMENTS</b>	<b>33,625,000</b>	<b>24,627,000</b>	<b>24,086,000</b>	<b>19,348,608</b>	<b>33,350,650</b>	<b>18,074,000</b>	<b>18,700,000</b>	<b>113,559,258</b>
The FY2020 Capital plan includes the amendments that the City Council adopted on February 18, 2020.								