

AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be conducted by Teleconference.

The public may listen into this meeting by calling the following conference line and then entering the conference code:

Dial-In Number: (929) 436-2866

Meeting ID: 381 083 245

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

Approval of City Council Minutes: July 6, 2021

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

- 123-20** Communication from Mayor re: Appointment of Ira NACHEM (D) to the Zoning Board of Appeals, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 124-20** Communication from City Attorney re: Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with G.F., referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.

ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:

- 122-20** Communication from Central Grants re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348), **FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.**

MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON (CONSENT CALENDAR):

- *99-20** Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Department of Justice – BJA FY21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative (#22338).
- *100-20** Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program – Woodrow Avenue Bridge (#0C203).
- *101-20** Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: U.S. Department of Justice FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (#22312).

(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; 2021-09-20 pdf)

THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 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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NAME	SUBJECT
John Marshall Lee 30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605	City Oversight (continued).
Jose Lopez 2225 Main Street, Apt. C12 Bridgeport, CT 06606	City Change.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

6:30 P.M.

This meeting will be conducted by Zoom/Teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Nieves called the Public Speaking portion of the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The City Clerk Lydia Martinez called the roll.

- 130th District: Scott Burns, Matthew McCarthy
- 131st District: Denese Taylor-Moye, Jorge Cruz
- 132nd District: Marcus Brown, M. Evette Brantley (6:40 p.m.)
- 133rd District: Jeanette Herron, *Raymond Collette*
- 134th District: Michelle Lyons, *AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia*
- 135th District: Rosalina Roman-Christy, Mary McBride-Lee (6:40 p.m.)
- 136th District: Alfredo Castillo, Avelino Silva
- 137th District: Maria Valle, Aidee Nieves
- 138th District: Maria Pereira, Samia Suliman (6:45 p.m.)
- 139th District: Eneida Martinez, Ernest Newton

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During the roll call, there appeared to be no response from the individuals whose names are listed in italics. Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia is currently on medical leave.

Council President Nieves announced that there was a 3 minute time limit for each speaker and explained how to mute and unmute their devices.

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NAME

SUBJECT

John Marshall Lee
 30 Beacon Street
 Bridgeport, CT 06605

City Oversight (continued).

Mr. Lee read the following statement into the record:

Greetings to each of you at the end of another beautiful late summer day. Primary Day has come and gone. Several folks who have learned the wisdom of knocking on doors to meet the voters have used their time well and will join veterans of previous Councils. You run to represent the people of your District specifically, and indirectly all of the people of the City when you gather to exercise your responsibility to cast a positive or negative vote on any issue. Thank you to other Council members for their past public service.

My Council questioning often concerns whether you receive enough factual information from the City automatically in a reasonable format, for you to vote intelligently and responsible when necessary. If you have had such a concern, now is your time to share that with the voters and City before November and keep up the pressure as you enter a new Council year. I am enjoying the work done in the City to repave many streets seriously in need. As we were pulling out of Afghanistan, a section of Fairfield Ave. between the Fairfield border and I95 looked like videos from that country. Today the surface and lining make for happiness. I mention street marking because safety as a pedestrian, cyclist or driver are assisted by clear markings completed and renewed in a timely manner. This Saturday street painting on Broad Street outside City Hall to renovate the Black Lives Matter signage that shows where City sentiments are. Come join the volunteers and lend a hand.

Some other street markings have been ignored for too many years thus allowing unsafe conditions for bikers on routes that were deemed safe paths some years ago. Fresh and distinct road signage on the asphalt underneath lets drivers know what they may encounter, especially on bike routes. Who is responsible for oversight and updating of this recreational public safety measure? Does one of your committees look at this specifically?

As I talk about the City, I find many who seek additional youth activities to be available. For 200 years we have seen lakes and ponds on the land, rivers running downhill to our deep-water port, and Long Island Sound as our City's southern border. We also through City oversight and planning have created parks and playgrounds in most neighborhoods, and in recent years the installation of "splash pads" for the youngest, especially popular in hot and humid days of June through September. We have beaches with lifeguards. There are public and private swimming pools, though not all are in operation or available to the public.

But where is a coordinated opportunity for water safety, skills and swimming programs that might overcome fear of water, drownings and offer fuller enjoyment of water activities? We have a public safety marine patrol for private boaters, but we do not find a way for safety and swimming programs for all youth to be offered as part of their community education. Does this make sense to you today? Where can the CC raise the issue and formulate a plan over the coming years to make such considerations happen? Time will tell.

Jose Lopez
2225 Main Street, Apt. C12
Bridgeport, CT 06606

City Change.

Mr. Lopez came forward and greeted the Council Members. He said that he was on the ballot for the Board of Education and was a long-time resident. He said that he was interested in beginning a dialogue about moving education forward. The Mayor's proposed budget nixed more money for the BOE. He asked how this would be helpful for the students and the future. There is a commitment to help the youth and to plan for the future. It will be important to empower the residents and everyone should think about what they can do for the future. Now is the time to step up because it takes a village to raise a child.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Nieves adjourned Public Speaking at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

7:00 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ganim called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER

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

Council Member Brown requested for a moment of silence in honor of Yvonne Brantley, the sister of Evette Brantley, who passed away last week.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

The Assistant City Clerk Frances Ortiz called the roll.

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MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

Approval of City Council Minutes: July 6, 2021

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED THE MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2021.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2021 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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124-20 Communication from City Attorney re: Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with G.F., referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO REFER THE COMMUNICATIONS TO COMMITTEES.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAN-CHRISTIE SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION:

122-20 Communication from Central Grants re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348), FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION REGARDING AGENDA ITEM 122-20 COMMUNICATION FROM CENTRAL GRANTS RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (FAIRFIELD COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE) (#22348).**

Council Member Valle gave a brief summary and noted that Ms. DeJesus and Lt. Grech were present to answer questions.

Council Member Pereira said that she would like to know why this was not being referred to committee.

Ms. DeJesus said that they need to have the Council's approval in order to meet the details of the grant.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO CONSIDER AGENDA ITEM 122-20 COMMUNICATION FROM CENTRAL GRANTS RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (FAIRFIELD COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE) (#22348), FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED AGENDA ITEM 122-20 COMMUNICATION FROM CENTRAL GRANTS RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (FAIRFIELD COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE) (#22348).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira asked how many officers were going to be on the task force. Lt. Grech said that it would be between 4 to 7 officers. Council Member Pereira asked if those officers would be pulled off patrol. Lt. Grech said that they would not be pulled off patrol.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 122-20 COMMUNICATION FROM CENTRAL GRANTS RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (FAIRFIELD COUNTY AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE) (#22348) PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Member Collette joined the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON (CONSENT CALENDAR):

***99-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Department of Justice – BJA FY21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative (#22338).**

***100-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program – Woodrow Avenue Bridge (#0C203).**

***101-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: U.S. Department of Justice FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance.**

Mayor Ganim asked if any Council Member wished to have an item removed from the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Pereira requested all three agenda items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

99-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Department of Justice – BJA FY21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative (#22338).

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED AGENDA ITEM 99-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – BJA FY21 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CRIME GUN INTELLIGENCE CENTER INTEGRATION INITIATIVE (#22338).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ SECONDED.**

Council Member Valle stated that this item had been presented in Committee and had been approved by an unanimous vote.

Council Member Pereira said that she had not received any information on the item, so she was opposing it. Council Member Pereira added that based on her previous statements, she wished to make it clear for the record that she was opposing the application not because of the substance of the application but because there is language in every one of these resolutions, it allows the Mayor and/or any of his designees to sign any contract or agreement without coming to the Contracts Committee.

Council Member Newton said that he would like to thank everyone who supported this grant.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 99-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – BJA FY21 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CRIME GUN INTELLIGENCE CENTER INTEGRATION INITIATIVE (#22338) PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, HERRON, COLLETTE, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, VALLE, NIEVES, SULIMAN, MARTINEZ AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

100-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program – Woodrow Avenue Bridge (#0C203).

Council Member Valle stated that this item had been presented in Committee and had been approved by an unanimous vote.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE MOVED AGENDA ITEM 100-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM – WOODROW AVENUE BRIDGE (#0C203).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ SECONDED.**

Council Member Burns said that he had a question about the matching funds. Ms. DeJesus said that the matching amount would be \$450,000.

Council Member Roman-Christie said that this bridge was in her district and was part of the serious flooding issues in that area.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 100-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM – WOODROW AVENUE BRIDGE (#0C203) PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, HERRON, COLLETTE, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, VALLE, NIEVES, SULIMAN, MARTINEZ AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

Council Member Pereira noted that there was no dollar amount listed on the documentation and based on her previous statements, she wished to make it clear for the record that she was opposing the application not because of the substance of the application but because there is language in every one of these resolutions, it allows the Mayor and/or any of his designees to sign any contract or agreement without coming to the Contracts Committee.

101-20 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: U.S. Department of Justice FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance.

Council Member Valle stated that this item had been presented in Committee and had been approved by an unanimous vote.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 101-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FY 2021 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAN-CHRISTIE SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said based on her previous statements, she wished to make it clear for the record that she was opposing the application not because of the substance of the application but because there is language in every one of these resolutions, it allows the Mayor and/or any of his designees to sign any contract or agreement without coming to the Contracts Committee.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 101-20 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FY 2021 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE PASSED WITH SEVENTEEN (17) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, HERRON, COLLETTE, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, VALLE, NIEVES, SULIMAN, MARTINEZ AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).**

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED TO ADD AN ITEM REGARDING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENTS TO FILL THE VACANCIES OR THE RE-ASSIGNMENT OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES APPOINTMENTS CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER DEFILIPPO WITH COUNCIL MEMBER COLLETTE.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira asked what Committees Council Member Collette was being appointed to. Mayor Ganim reminded everyone that this was just a motion to add the item to the agenda.

**** THE MOTION TO ADD AN ITEM REGARDING THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENTS TO FILL THE VACANCIES OR THE RE-ASSIGNMENT OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER DEFILIPPO WITH COUNCIL MEMBER COLLETTE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council President Nieves said that pursuant to Council Rule 12 and some scheduling conflicts, she would be making some Committee changes.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED THAT PURSUANT TO COUNCIL RULE 12 THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE CHANGES WILL BE MADE:**

ORDINANCES: REMOVE COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA, ADD COUNCIL MEMBER COLLETTE

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS: REMOVE COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO, ADD COUNCIL MEMBER COLLETTE

CONTRACTS COMMITTEE: REMOVE COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO, ADD COUNCIL MEMBER SILVA

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: REMOVE COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO, ADD COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ

HOUSING AUTHORITY: REMOVE COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that it appears that Council Member Castillo had been removed from every position. She said that there was another Council Member who was facing multiple charges. This is not equitable or fair.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE RE-ASSIGNMENTS AS PRESENTED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES PASSED WITH SIXTEEN (16) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, TAYLOR-MOYE, BROWN, BRANTLEY, HERRON, COLLETTE, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, VALLE, NIEVES, SULIMAN, MARTINEZ AND NEWTON) AND TWO (2) OPPOSED (PEREIRA, CRUZ).**

ADJOURNMENT

- ** COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services




OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

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BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT 06604
TELEPHONE (203) 576-7201
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JOSEPH P. GANIM
Mayor

**COMM. #123-20 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee
on 9/20/2021**

TO: Lydia N. Martinez
FROM: Mayor Joseph P. Ganim 
DATE: September 7, 2021
RE: Boards & Commissions

Please place the following name on the September 20, 2021 City Council Agenda for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for the purpose of appointment to the **Zoning Board of Appeals**:

Ira Nachem (D)
155 Brewster St, 5L
Bridgeport, CT 06606

This term shall expire on 12/31/2022

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September 15, 2021

The Honorable City Council
City of Bridgeport
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06604

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Re: REFERRAL TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE:

Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation in the Matter of G.F. v. Linet Castillo-Jiminez, et al, U.S. District Court, 3:19CV01419(KAD)

Dear Councilpersons:

a. Submission Title: Request for Litigation Settlement Approval.

b. Submitting Entity: Office of the City Attorney.

c. Contact Person: Associate City Attorney Richard G. Kascak, Jr. – contact info above.

d. Approval Deadline: Thirty (30) days from release to avoid statutory interest charges.

e. Case Summary: The plaintiff claimed the defendant officers used unreasonable force in an incident resulting in his arrest occurring on June 14, 2021 in the vicinity of Nob Hill Circle in Bridgeport.

f. Council Action Requested: Approval of request for settlement.

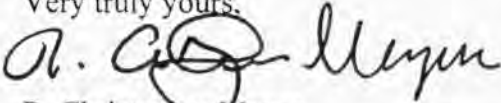
g. Financial Impact Analysis: Total cost to the City will be a total of \$38,750.00 to be paid to John R. Williams & Assoc., LLC, 51 Elm Street, Suite 409, New Haven, CT 06510 as Trustee for Gabriy'el Fraser.

h. Funding Budget-Line: The settlement payment will be made from the City Attorney Office Operating Budget Line-Item "*Personal Property Claims Atty. #01-01-006-060-000-53010*".

i. Proposed Motion: Motion to authorize and approve payment of \$38,750.00 in full and final settlement of *G.F. v. Linet Castillo-Jiminez, et al, U.S. District Court, 3:19CV01419(KAD)*

Kindly place this matter on the agenda for the next City Council meeting for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee only. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Christopher Meyer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "C".

R. Christopher Meyer
City Attorney

cc: Lydia Martinez, City Clerk
Richard G. Kascak, Jr., Associate City Attorney
Jonna Rigon, Paralegal



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RESOLUTION FORM

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

Below to be used for processing of Immediate Consideration items only

Log ID/Item number: 122-20
Submitted by: Isolina DeJesus, Director
Councilmember(s): Central Grants Office
Subject: Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management
Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348)
Referred to Committee: Immediate Consideration
City Council Date: September 20, 2021

Attest:

Lydia N. Martinez
Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk

09/20/2021
Date

Approved by:

Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date

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Please Note: Mayor Did Not Sign Report



JOSEPH P. GANIM
Mayor

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ISOLINA DeJESUS
Manager
Central Grants

**COMM. #122-20 Ref'd For IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION
on 09/20/2021**

September 15, 2021

Office of the City Clerk
City of Bridgeport
45 Lyon Terrace, Room 204
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604

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Re: Resolution – City of Bridgeport application to the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348)

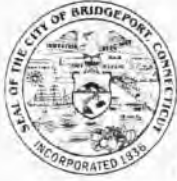
Dear Ms. Martinez,

Attached, please find a Grant Summary and Resolution for the **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force)**. We respectfully request that this be added as an item to the City Council's meeting agenda on Monday, September 20, 2021, for **IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**. The State Office of Policy and Management is making Coronavirus Relief Funds available to address crime challenges cities are facing that have been created or exacerbated by the pandemic. These funds must be expended by December 31, 2021.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at 203-576-7134 or isolina.dejesus@Bridgeportct.gov.

Thank you.

Isolina DeJesus
Central Grants Office



GRANT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLE: State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348)

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING INFORMATION: Central Grants Office

CONTACT NAME: Isolina DeJesus

PHONE NUMBER: 203-576-7134

PROJECT SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION: The City of Bridgeport Police Department will participate in the Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force with Fairfield, Newtown, Trumbull, Stratford, and Monroe. Coronavirus relief funds are being made available to support unbudgeted, unanticipated payroll expenses that have been substantially devoted to mitigating or responding to COVID-19. The allocation will cover overtime salary associated with officers who are participating in the task force. The purpose of this initiative is strictly to focus on vehicles that are stolen and being utilized in criminal activity. Fringe benefits are not eligible.

CONTRACT PERIOD: 8/9/2021-12/30/2021

FUNDING SOURCES (include matching funds):	
Federal:	\$
State:	\$ 195,000.00
City:	\$ 48,828.00
Other:	\$

GRANT FUNDED PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED	
Salaries:	\$ 195,000.00

MATCH REQUIRED		
	CASH	IN-KIND
Source: Police General Fund		
Benefits:	\$ 48,828.00	\$ 0

**A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council
Regarding the
State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management
Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force) (#22348)**

WHEREAS, the **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible by the federal **Coronavirus Relief Fund** being administered by **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management**; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the funding is to support unbudgeted, unanticipated payroll expenses that are substantially devoted to mitigating or responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport Police Department will utilize funding to participate in the Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force in partnership with Fairfield, Newtown, Trumbull, Stratford, and Monroe; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport accepts this funding from the **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- Coronavirus Relief Fund** to cover police overtime salary to address the uptick in stolen vehicles being used to conduct criminal activities in the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's application to the **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management** for the purpose of its **Coronavirus Relief Fund**; and
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Chief of Police, to execute and file such application with the **State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management** and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.

Williams, Althea

From: Ortiz, Frances
Sent: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 3:38 PM
To: Williams, Althea; Pettway, Lonnelle
Subject: FW: 22348 - State OPM CRF- Auto Task Force- Resolution Package
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Ladies please print email and attached.

From: Oliveira, Melissa <Melissa.Oliveira@Bridgeportct.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 3:34 PM
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Subject: FW: 22348 - State OPM CRF- Auto Task Force- Resolution Package

Hi Frances,

Please see Tom's approval below for the attached resolution. I will be dropping the hard copies off shortly.

Thank you,

Melissa Oliveira
OPM Analyst
Central Grants Office
999 Broad St. Bridgeport, CT 06604
Phone- 203-332-5665

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From: Oliveira, Melissa <Melissa.Oliveira@Bridgeportct.gov>
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Subject: 22348 - State OPM CRF- Auto Task Force- Resolution Package

Hi Tom,

Please find attached a resolution to be submitted for immediate consideration on Monday, September 20th meeting. Below is a description of the project:

State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management- Coronavirus Relief Fund (Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force)- \$243,828.00

The City of Bridgeport Police Department will participate in the Fairfield County Auto Theft Task Force with Fairfield, Newtown, Trumbull, Stratford, and Monroe. Coronavirus relief funds are being made available to support unbudgeted, unanticipated payroll expenses that have been substantially devoted to mitigating or responding to COVID-19. The allocation will cover overtime salary associated with officers who are participating in the task force. The purpose of this initiative is strictly to focus on vehicles that are stolen and being utilized in criminal activity. Fringe benefits are not eligible.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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Item # *99-20 Consent Calendar

Grant Submission: Department of Justice – BJA FY21
Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center
Integration Initiative. (#22338)



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Public Safety and Transportation

City Council Meeting Date: September 20, 2021

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

Approved by: _____
Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date Signed: _____

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

The Committee on **Public Safety and Transportation** begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. *99-20 Consent Calendar

**A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council
Regarding the
Department of Justice
BJA FY 21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration
Initiative (#22338)**

WHEREAS, the **Department of Justice** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the **BJA FY 21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative**; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to purchase crime gun intelligence center technology, including an expansion of ShotSpotter, new ShotSpotter Connect technology, a subscription to the department's new IBIS/NIBIN system, and additional surveillance; and

WHEREAS, this technology will be used to enhance police response times and the collection of ballistic evidence, facilitating collaborative investigations with state, local, and federal partners including ATF and the AUSA office; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submits an application to the **BJA FY 21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative** to augment the Bridgeport Police Department's ability to investigate and prosecute gun-related crimes with the goal of reducing gun violence overall.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with the **Department of Justice** for the purpose of its **BJA FY 21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative**.
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to execute and file such application with the **DOJ – BJA FY 21 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative** and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to



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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
THE COMMITTEE ON
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City Council Date: September 20, 2021

Item # *100-20 Consent Calendar

Grant Submission: Connecticut Department of Transportation - Local Bridge Program - Woodrow Avenue Bridge. (#0CC203)



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Public Safety and Transportation

City Council Meeting Date: September 20, 2021

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Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport:

The Committee on **Public Safety and Transportation** begs leave to report; and recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Item No. *100-20 Consent Calendar

**A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council
Regarding the
Connecticut Department of Transportation
Local Bridge Program
Woodrow Ave. Bridge (#0C203)**

WHEREAS, the **State of Connecticut Department of Transportation** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the **State of Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program**; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to support the design and replacement of the Woodrow Ave. Bridge over Island Brook at Pond St; and

WHEREAS, a 50% cash match is required for the program and was adopted by the City Council as part of the 5-year Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submits an application to the **State of Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program** to support the replacement of the Woodrow Ave. Bridge.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with the **State of Connecticut Department of Transportation** for the purpose of its **Local Bridge Program**.
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to execute and file such an application with the **State of Connecticut Department of Transportation – Local Bridge Program** and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.



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Item # *101-20 Consent Calendar

Grant Submission: U. S. Department of Justice FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (#22312).



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City Council Meeting Date: September 20, 2021

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Item No. *101-20 Consent Calendar

**A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council
Regarding the
U.S. Department of Justice
FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program
(#22312)**

WHEREAS, the **U.S. Department of Justice** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the **FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program**; and

WHEREAS, the JAG funding is a statutory formula allocation based on violent crime data and population for the purpose of of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system, with emphasis on violent crime and serious offenders, by means which include the purchase of equipment, training, and information systems;

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to support and improve law enforcement response; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submits an application to the **U.S. Department of Justice** to acquire much needed software that will support the department's operations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with **U.S. Department of Justice** for the purpose of the **FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program**.
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to execute and file such application with the **U.S. Department of Justice** for the purpose of the **FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program** and to provide such additional information and to execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.



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