

**ADDENDUM
TO
AGENDA**

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022

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

ADDED:

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

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Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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Approval of City Council Minutes: November 1, 2021

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THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 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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Eneida Martinez 819 Connecticut Avenue, #2 Bridgeport, CT 06607	Police Department, Violence, Council Rep.
Callie Gale Heilmann The Unrig Bridgeport Coalition 89 Grovers Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	The Empowered City Council Act.
John Marshall Lee 30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605	City Accountability – Open, Timely. Honest?
Shaenna Taylor Bridgeport Strong 131 Madison Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06606	The Empowered City Council Act.
Rev. D. Stanley Lord Greater Bridgeport NAACP 1138 Hancock Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	The Empowered City Council Act.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022

This meeting was conducted by Teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Nieves called the Public Speaking session of the City Council to order at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The City Clerk Lydia Martinez called the roll.

- 130th District: Scott Burns, Matthew McCarthy
- 131st District: Jorge Cruz, Tyler Mack
- 132nd District: Marcus Brown, Rolanda Smith
- 133rd District: Aikeem G. Boyd, Jeanette Herron,
- 134th District: Michelle Lyons, AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia
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A quorum was present. The names in italics did not appear to respond during the roll call.

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SUBJECT

Gemeem Davis
 Bridgeport Generation Now Votes
 33 Cottage Place
 Bridgeport, CT 06604

The Empowered City Council Act.

Ms. Davis greeted the Council Members and said she was the president and co-director of Bridgeport Generation Now Votes. Yesterday was the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. During his life, Dr. King spoke of a vision of a community where love and justice and solidarity were made real. Together, this is being done in Bridgeport as Beloved Bridgeport. Since 2017, Bridgeport Now has spoken with hundreds of residents about the issues that matter

to them the most. During those conversations, people said they wanted safe streets, good schools, affordable housing, a healthy environment, a police department that respects the residents, a thriving community and a democracy that works for everyone.

During the summer, Bridgeport Now and the Unrig Bridgeport Coalition launched the People's Platform, a set of 30 policy proposals that centered on four key pillars: justice and equity, good government, anti-corruption and pro-democracy. Today, Bridgeport Now was excited to support the first piece of legislation from the People's Platform, which is the Empowered City Council Act that will be introduced by Council President Nieves and co-sponsored by Council Member Tyler Mack.

The Empowered City Council Act will provide the Council Members with a professional staff that they both need and deserve. This will include an independent and legislative legal counsel to draft and review ordinances and provide legal guidance; an independent budget director to assist with the budget process, and five legislative aides to support the Council Members with their official day to day duties and tasks.

Other cities in Connecticut, like Hartford and New Haven, have similar professional staffs for their legislative bodies and city governments. This has resulted in strong city governments. The residents of Bridgeport deserve a strong local government also, one that has the support and staff that it needs to deliver on the promise of a Beloved Bridgeport.

Bridgeport Now is very excited to support the City Council in the introduction and eventual passage of the Empowered City Council Act.

Ms. Davis then thanked the Bridgeport Coalition and all the Council Members who read the People's Platform and have taken it seriously and supported the 30 policy points.

Eneida Martinez
819 Connecticut Avenue, #2
Bridgeport, CT 06607

Police Department, Violence, Council Rep.

Ms. Martinez said she was a former Council Member and remembered Council Members calling for the defunding of the Police Department. When she attended a Public Safety Committee meeting recently, she heard Acting Police Chief Garcia being attacked by a certain Council Member about funding. Ms. Martinez said that when the Council Members are working on the budget this year, they should remember why there is not sufficient policing and so many officers are leaving the Police Department.

Ms. Martinez said that there needs to be a better policing package to support the police officers in the City of Bridgeport. She said that she also heard Acting Police Chief Garcia request more funding for Shot Spotter. Shot Spotter has been placed in high crime areas. Ms. Martinez said that Shot Spotter should be approved for funding by the Council as it is something that works throughout the community to assist with quick responses from the Police Department.

Ms. Martinez said that she thought it was inappropriate and a wrong message was being sent by elected officials who pick and choose what press conferences to be part of. They used the family's vulnerability as a way to attack the police and the Mayor. Council Members should not prey on anyone's emotions for publicity. Violence in the community representation should always include District Council Members and not just Senators and/or Town Clerk*, that presents opportunities for political gains on News 12. It is a disadvantage to the representation of a District when individuals appear on News 12.

Ms. Martinez said that constituents have a lot of power as they are electors and select the officials when they cast their votes. Ms. Martinez said that Council Member Pereira uses Social Media after each public meeting to slander individuals.

* A correction that "**Town Clerk**" should have been "**City Clerk**" was subsequently submitted by the speaker.

Callie Gale Heilmann

The Empowered City Council Act.

The Unrig Bridgeport Coalition
89 Grovers Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06605

Ms. Heilmann greeted the Council Members and said that she was the Co-director of Bridgeport Generation Now Votes and also involved in The Unrig Bridgeport Coalition to work to strengthen the local democracy in areas like absentee voting and early voting. They are a strong coalition that is diverse, loud and proud. They are based on justice, equity, good government and democracy. This includes organizations such as: Bridgeport Strong, Connecticut Citizen Action Group, Greater Bridgeport NAACP, The Greater Bridgeport Ed Gomes Black Democratic Club and a variety of other groups.

Ms. Heilmann said that the Coalition was working on a State level on reforms to strengthen the democracy, protect voting rights and expand voting access with items like early voting, no excuse absentee voting and the Connecticut Voting Rights Act. They will be fighting for these items during the 2022 legislative session and they are aware that they have strong allies on the Council.

This is why they wish to work with the Council on policies that can strengthen the democracy in Bridgeport. The People's Platform that Ms. Davis spoke about and many Council Members have read laid out the vision and a road map to that goal.

The City Council should be a separate, but equal branch of government. Making the Council an independent council is something the various Council Members have spoken about in the public forums and in the press. There have been conversations with Bridgeport residents and Coalition partners that reveal the people also want the Council to have the support, resources and staff that they need to be an independent body. Now is the time to work together to transform Bridgeport with justice, equity, democracy and good government. Empowering Bridgeport's legislative

branch with professional staff and support requires a bold and creative approach and The Unrig Bridgeport Coalition is proud to stand with the Council to obtain this.

John Marshall Lee
30 Beacon Street
Bridgeport, CT 06605

City Accountability – Open, Timely,
Honest?

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS – People depend on you...keep up the good works

The City Council can use capable, motivated, professional staff independent of the Executive branch, to provide comprehensive answers to questions and issues you raise. In fact, the City administration should be happy for them to assist in your serious representation responsibilities. I know that some work is in process now. I am fully supportive of your efforts to grow stronger on behalf of City residents, the poor, the insecure, the threatened as well as those with jobs, homes, and dreams. Quality, timely, and informed folks should be available for all in their time of need.

Thank you for the actions of a few members to perform oversight and discover that for over a decade that we have formally listed at least one Board or Commission on our City website, but nothing was happening. No meetings were being held. No needy citizens could reach out for assistance. No attention was paid to the dollars involved in the business of housing fellow citizens in clean, safe, warm in winter, secure from outside rains and broken plumbing year-round, and fairly distributed as available and functioning with State or Federal programs and funding.

I hope that discussion happens soon over this lapse of governance, first by the Mayor's office where appointment process failed, and later by others. I hope that the public with viewpoints and experience in fair residential conditions are encouraged to go on the record with their opinions and participate in the crafting of the duties and responsibilities of the Resolution form. There is less to fear from allowing the City to acknowledge its cessation at this time than continuation of inflated rents, lack of quality units, potential COVID flavored evictions, and multiple serious violations.

Poor people, without jobs, wealth, friends, or advocates, many suffering because of the color of their skin as brown or black, are suffering. I have visited with some residents of Main Street recently and find those at one location nearly at their wits end and infirm as well. Alternatively, across the way, another is extremely proud of his one-bedroom unit and the care by property managers.

Such responsibility should fall on the shoulders of City Council members as elected representatives, but they should also have appropriate administration support and that of all Boards and Commissions. Poor people frequently feel ignored, but are they getting accurate instructions from the way the City presents itself to their needs? Time will tell.

Shaenna Taylor
Bridgeport Strong
131 Madison Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06606

The Empowered City Council Act.

Ms. Taylor greeted the Council Members and said she was representing Bridgeport Strong along with Bobbie Brown and another individual. She said that Bridgeport Strong was joining the campaign to support the 30 point platform. Ms. Taylor said that this was the first piece of the People's Platform and she thanked Council President Nieves for introducing this. The Council will have the type of support it needs.

Rev. D. Stanley Lord
Greater Bridgeport NAACP
1138 Hancock Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06605

The Empowered City Council Act.

Rev. Lord greeted the Council Members and said that he was the President of the Greater Bridgeport NAACP. They were happy to support this legislation. He said that the Council needs to move forward with the staff, an attorney and a budget. The Mayor should answer to the Council rather than the Council answering to the Mayor. It is time to stand up and expect a better Bridgeport. He thanked Council President Nieves and Council Member Mack for bring this item forward.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Nieves closed the public session at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services

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CALL TO ORDER

Council President Nieves called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. She said that the Mayor would not be joining the Council this evening.

PRAYER

Council President Nieves asked Council Member Newton to lead the Council in prayer. He prayed for the Osborne Family and the Rosario family.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Nieves asked Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia to lead those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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A quorum was present.

Council Member Roman-Christy asked for prayers for a former Council Member who passed away. Council Member Newton also requested a moment of silence.

Council Member McBride-Lee asked for a point of Personal Privilege

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

• **November 1, 2021**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2021 MEETING.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that she was abstaining because she missed a portion of the meeting.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 1, 2021 MEETING MINUTES PASSED WITH THIRTEEN (13) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, BROWN, HERRON, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, AND NEWTON) AND SEVEN (7) ABSTENTIONS (VIZZO-PANICCIA, SMITH, SMALL, MACK, SIMMONS, BOYD AND PEREIRA).**

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****COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO COMBINE AND APPROVE THE COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED AND THE RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.**

****COUNCIL MEMBER LYONS SECONDED.**

Council Member Cruz asked that his name be included as a co-sponsor on Agenda Item 23-21. Council President Nieves reminded him that adding his name as a co-sponsor should be done in Committee.

Council Member Pereira asked if the motion included the addendum items. Council President Nieves said that the motion did include the addendum items.

Council Member Pereira said that City Council Rule 13 required all resolutions or referrals to Committee were to be submitted to the City Clerk by 4:30. She added that the Generation NOW ordinance or the document submitted by Atty. Anastasi were not submitted by the 4:30 Wednesday deadline.

Council President Nieves reminded Council Member Pereira that through the authority granted to her by the Mayor, she could add items to the agenda. She then called for the vote on the items.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE REFERRALS TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

18-21 COMMUNICATION FROM HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF THE 2022-2024 CITIZEN UNION COMMITTEE, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.

19-21 COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR RE: APPOINTMENT OF DENESE TAYLOR-MOYE (D) TO THE PARKS COMMISSION, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.

20-21 COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR RE: APPOINTMENT OF TIHEBA BAIN (D) TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.

21-21 COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR RE: APPOINTMENT OF RALPH R. FORD, JR. (D) TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.

22-21 COMMUNICATION FROM CITY ATTORNEY RE: PROPOSED WORKER'S COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT RE: MICHAEL AND KAREN (WIDOW) RODRIQUEZ – CLAIM NO. W000818810, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, ETC.:

23-21 RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES & CO-SPONSOR MACK RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2.06 – COMMON COUNCIL, AMEND TO ADD NEW SECTION(S) 2.06.080 – LEGISLATIVE AIDES FOR CITY COUNCIL, 2.06.090 – LEGISLATIVE AND LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND 2.06.100 – BUDGET DIRECTOR FOR CITY COUNCIL, REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE.

PASSED WITH NINETEEN (19) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, BOYD, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SMALL, SIMMONS AND NEWTON) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (PEREIRA).

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***06-21 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division – Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (#22399).**

Council President Nieves asked if any Council Member wished to remove an item from the Consent Calendar. Council Member Pereira requested that both items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

17-21 Budget and Appropriations Committee Report re: Approval of Additional Capital Project Authorization to the 2022-2026 Capital Plan and Approval of General Obligation Bonds.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED AGENDA ITEM 17-21 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2022-2026 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that she wanted to request a roll call vote on the Capita Plan because the cost of Bassick High School has skyrocketed. It is now at \$129 million. During the Committee meeting, a piece of critical information was withheld. Bassick High School is no longer on the State School Priority List because of two missed deadlines.

Council Member Pereira said that while the City would receive a higher rate of compensation for new construction, the City would still have to pay 20% of \$129 million. That should be \$25.8

million, but the resolution states that the amount is \$32 million, which is because of the \$6 million that was illegally used to purchase the land from UB without any City Council appropriation or authorization of those funds.

Council Member Pereira said that while she believes in Bassick High School, she was voting no on this because everything involved with the project has been done illegally, unethically and was not transparent. \$500,000 of taxpayer money was wasted on architectural design that was later discarded. The Council has no consideration for taxpayers.

Council Member Newton said this was discussed in Budget and Mr. Flatto said that he felt that they would get more funding from the State. They have an obligation to follow the State's request. He does not agree with Council Member Pereira's statement. He requested the Council to support this. If the Council messes around, it will be another 20 years before Bassick gets a new school.

Council Member McCarthy said that he would like to move the question, but would yield to Council Member Herron first.

Council Member Herron said that she was concerned about individuals who constantly announce that they will not vote in favor of an item but go on to state that they are in full support of the community. She said that it is not possible to have it both ways.

Since COVID, the construction costs have gone up tremendously. Materials that previously had cost \$2.00 now cost \$20.00.

Regarding conspiracy theories, the State Board of Education would not have moved forward on this item if they thought there was any truth in the conspiracy theories. They looked into it.

Council Member Herron said that she was in full support of this project because Bridgeport students need a quality education that is provided in a quality facility. The Council is looking to provide the Bridgeport students with a better facility rather than an old building.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 17-21 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT RE: APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2022-2026 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS PASSED WITH EIGHTEEN (18) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, BOYD, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SIMMONS AND NEWTON) AND TWO (2) OPPOSED (PEREIRA AND SMALL).**

06-21 Public Safety and Transportation Committee Report re: Grant Submission: State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division – Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (#22399).

**** COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MOVED AGENDA ITEM 06-21 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION – YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE (#22399).
** COUNCIL MEMBER VALLE SECONDED.**

Council Member Pereira said that all the numbers on the grant summary were incorrect but were not corrected in Committee when the issue was discovered.

Council Member Pereira said that RYASAP, which is also Street Safe, would be receiving \$451,000 because they were only one of two bidders. They receive hundreds of thousands of dollars but cannot provide any data proving their success in reducing youth violence or prevention. It is not right to continually give money to programs that cannot prove they are effective or making a difference. Youth violence is on the uptick not only in Bridgeport but throughout the State. She was not interested in hearing that there were only two bids submitted. It should have been re-bid. She repeated her earlier statement that the program could not provide one bit of data proving that the program was effective. That is a disservice to taxpayers and for this reason, she will be voting no.

Council Member Newton said that those Council Members who were at the Committee meeting heard all the information. RYASAP and Street Safe are two different programs. When there is an incident that happens, RYASAP works to prevent retaliation.

LOSS OF CALL AT 7:23 P.M ; NOT ABLE TO GET BACK IN.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 06-21 PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT RE: GRANT SUBMISSION: STATE OF CONNECTICUT COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION – YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE (#22399) PASSED WITH EIGHTEEN (18) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, BOYD, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SIMMONS AND NEWTON) AND TWO (2) OPPOSED (PEREIRA AND SMALL).**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD AN ITEM REGARDING A PROPOSED SETTLEMENT TO THE AGENDA.
** COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO SECONDED.**

A 2/3rds vote was required to add the item to the agenda.

**** THE MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD AN ITEM REGARDING A PROPOSED SETTLEMENT TO THE AGENDA PASSED WITH EIGHTEEN (18) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, BOYD, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SIMMONS AND NEWTON) AND TWO (2) OPPOSED (PEREIRA AND SMALL).**

15-21 Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with Dennis Martinez.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED AGENDA ITEM 15-21 PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH DENNIS MARTINEZ.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER CASTILLO SECONDED.**

A simple majority vote was required to approve the Agenda Item.

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 15-21 PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH DENNIS MARTINEZ PASSED WITH EIGHTEEN (18) IN FAVOR (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, MACK, BROWN, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, VIZZO-PANICCIA, MCBRIDE-LEE, BOYD, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, NIEVES, VALLE, SIMMONS AND NEWTON) AND TWO (2) OPPOSED (PEREIRA AND SMALL).**

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER MCCARHTY MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER ROMAN-CHRISTY SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at _____ p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services



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THOMAS GILL
Director

JOSEPH P. GANIM
Mayor

**COMM. #18-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee
on 01/18/2022**

January 11, 2022

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

Dear City Clerk:

Attached, please find the list of the 2022-2024 nominees to the Bridgeport Citizen Union. Each nominee is selected by a member of the Bridgeport City Council (20).

Citizen Union members are charged with, amongst other things, reviewing all program applications, attending public hearings, and making recommendations to the City Council Special Committee on how Housing and Urban development (HUD) entitlement funding is prioritized and awarded.

This item/list is being transmitted to the City Council for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for recommendations and approval by the full council. Please contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Anjerice Miller
Office of Housing and Community Development

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CITY CLERK

Cc: Thomas Gill, OPED
Dan Shamas, Chief of Staff
Janene Hawkins, CAO
Tom Gaudett, Mayor's Office

**2022-2024
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
AND
CITIZENS UNION RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Bridgeport City Ordinance 2.108.010 establishes a Bridgeport Citizens Union; and

WHEREAS, the Citizen's Union is incorporated into Bridgeport's Citizens Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Citizen's Union is to provide citizens of Bridgeport with an organized structure and opportunity to participate in the planning and development of the City's Annual Action Plan which implement the goals and objectives articulated in the Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, one representative can be appointed by each of the twenty Bridgeport City Council members for up to twenty Citizen Union members; and

WHEREAS, a total of 20 members have been selected to serve on the 2022-2024 Citizen Union; and

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Bridgeport City Council hereby approves the attached 2022-2024 Bridgeport Citizen's Union as selected by members of the Bridgeport City Council.

**2022-2024
Bridgeport Citizen Union
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District	NAME ADDRESS, PHONE, EMAIL	NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, EMAIL
130	Derwin Hill 60 Waldorf Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605 203-209-7639 <u>Dkhill75@gmail.com</u> Mathew McCarthy	Maureen Hart 56 Fayerweather Terrace Bridgeport, CT 06605 203-913-3036 <u>Maureen.hart@gmail.com</u> Scott Burns
131	Sean Jones 1042 Broad Street Unit 406 Bridgeport, CT 06604 210-793-508 <u>Jonesplnv@gmail.com</u> Tyler Mack	Lawrence Fong 224 Alsace Street Bridgeport, CT 06604 203-612-1246 (h) 516-987-1228© <u>Chenfong2075@gmail.com</u> Jorge Cruz
132	 Marcus Brown	 Rolanda Smith
133	Raymond Collett 94 Sidney Street Bridgeport, CT 06606 203-543-0785 <u>Racolle@gmail.com</u> Jeanette Herron	 Aikeem Boyd
134	Don Donaldson 87 Rosalie Drive Bridgeport CT 06606 <u>Usmarine7781@aol.com</u> Amy Marie Vizzo-Paniccia	 Michele Lyons
135	 Rose Roman - Christy	 Mary McBride-Lee
136	 Avelino Silva	 Alfredo Castillo


137	Miriam Agea 155 Sherman Street Bridgeport CT 06608 203-583-1058 Ageam1966@gmail.com Aidee Nieves	Carmen Rodriguez 234 Hough Avenue Bridgeport CT 06608 203-514-1022 Aqua322@yahoo.com Maria Ines Valle
138	Helen Losak 306 Bradley Street Bridgeport, CT 06610 203-335-0677 helenlosak@aol.com Maria Pereira	Sharon Bernard 213 Virginia Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06610 203-556-6730 Sharonabernard@optimum.net Michele Smalls
139	Khalid Muhammad 67 Prince Street Bridgeport, CT 06610 203-275-9761 Khalid.w.muhammad@gmail.com Wanda Simmons	Eneida Martinez 819 Connecticut Avenue Unit 2 Bridgeport, CT 0660 203-650-49 Eneida817@gmail.com Ernest Newton



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JOSEPH P. GANIM
Mayor

COMM. #19-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee
on 01/18/2022

TO: Lydia N. Martinez 
FROM: Mayor Joseph P. Ganim
DATE: January 12, 2022
RE: Boards & Commissions

Please place the following name on the January 18, 2022 City Council Agenda for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for the purpose of appointment to the **Parks Commission**:

Denese Taylor Moya (D)
515 West Ave
Bridgeport, CT 06604

This term shall expire on 12/31/2022

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Comm. #20-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee
on 01/18/2022

TO: Lydia N. Martinez
FROM: Mayor Joseph P. Ganim 
DATE: January 12, 2022
RE: Boards & Commissions

Please place the following name on the January 18, 2022 City Council Agenda for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for the purpose of appointment to the **Zoning Board of Appeals**:

Tiheba Bain (D)
145 Hope St
Bridgeport, CT 06605

This term shall expire on 12/31/2023

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COMM. #21-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee
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TO: Lydia N. Martinez
FROM: Mayor Joseph P. Ganim
DATE: January 12, 2022
RE: Boards & Commissions

Please place the following name on the January 18, 2022 City Council Agenda for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for the purpose of appointment to the **Civil Service Commission**:

Ralph R. Ford, Jr. (D)
410 Mill Hill Ave
Bridgeport, CT 06610

This term shall expire on 10/1/2025.

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January 12, 2022

Honorable City Council
of the City of Bridgeport
City Hall
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT 06604

Re: Proposed Worker's Compensation Settlement / Michael and Karen (Widow) Rodriguez / Claim No. W000818810

Dear Honorable Council Members:

On behalf of Attorney Joseph Passaretti, Jr. of the Montstream Law Group, workers' compensation outside legal counsel, I respectfully request that the above-referenced matter be placed on the City Council Agenda for the January 18, 2022 **FOR REFERRAL to the COMMITTEE MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.**

An executive summary for this matter will be submitted via separate email; and Attorney Passaretti will attend the January 24th committee meeting to present this matter.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Mark T. Anastasi /s/

Mark T. Anastasi, Esq.

Cc: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor
Aidee Nieves, President City Council
Lydia Martinez, City Clerk
Frances Ortiz, Asst. City Clerk
R. Christopher Meyer, City Attorney
Monquencelo Miles, Benefits
Joseph Passaretti, Jr., Esq.

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Executive Summary

Re: Proposed Worker's Compensation Stipulation / Michael and Karen (Widow) Rodriguez / Claim No. W000818810 For Referral to Misc. Matters Committee

To: Honorable City Council
Fr: Mark T. Anastasi, Esq.
Cc: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor
Janene Hawkins, CAO
Daniel Shamas, Chief of Staff
R. Monquencelo Miles, Benefits
Thomas Gaudett, Mayor's Office
Christopher Meyer, City Attorney
Joseph J. Passaretti, Jr., Esq.

Dated: January 12, 2022

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BELOW is the submission data required pursuant to City Council Rule XIII, Section 15:

a. Submission Title

Proposed Worker's Compensation Settlement with Michael and Karen (Widow) Rodriguez

b. Submitting Entity

Office of the City Attorney - on behalf of outside legal counsel, Attorney Joseph Passaretti, Jr., Law Office of Montstream Law Group, LLP

c. Contact Person

Mark T. Anastasi, Esq.
Contact via cellphone: (203) 673-7218; text or email: Mark.Anastasi@bridgeportct.gov

d. Deadline for Approval & Basis for Same

Deadline – February 7, 2022 as prompt approval is required to comply with schedule orders.

e. Matter Summary

This is a November 14, 1982 D/I contested C.G.S. Sec. 31-284b benefits claim on behalf of deceased Michael Rodriquez pursued by his widow Karen Rodriquez.

f. **City Council Action Requested**

At the January 18, 2022 Meeting – Referral of matter to the Committee on Miscellaneous Matters.

At the February 7, 2022 Meeting – City Council resolution authorizing and approving full and final settlement of this legal matter for the dollar amount requested herein (\$64,000).

g. **Financial Impact Analysis**

In the event this matter is approved, the City will become obligated to pay a total of \$64,000 to Attorney David Morrissey on behalf of the claimants.

h. **Funding Budget-Line**

The settlement payment will be made by PMA, the City's third-party worker's compensation administrator, with City funds appropriated in the FY 2021-2022 annual operating budget.

i. **Proposed Motion**

“NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed Workers' Compensation Settlement between the City and Claimants Michael (deceased) and Karen (widow) Rodriguez, and a Full and Final Settlement payment of \$64,000 is hereby authorized and approved.”

Ortiz, Frances

From: Anastasi, Mark T
Sent: Thursday, January 13, 2022 9:06 AM
To: Ortiz, Frances
Cc: Nieves, Aidee
Subject: Fwd: Proposed Rodriguez WC Settlement
Attachments: Rodriguez WC Settlement.docx; Executive Summary for Rodriguez WC Settlement.docx

For the January 18th Agenda please see attached photos Referral Letter & Executive Summary fir the proposed Rodriguez WC settlement - via Addendum IF necessary.

I emailed the Referral Letter separately late yesterday; but can't confirm it went thru.", so I am resending with the promised Ececutive Summary.

Thanks as always.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: martulana@aol.com
Date: January 13, 2022 at 9:00:35 AM EST
To: "Anastasi, Mark T" <Mark.Anastasi@bridgeportct.gov>
Subject: Proposed Rodriguez WC Settlement
Reply-To: Mark Anastasi <martulana@aol.com>

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Ortiz, Frances

From: Anastasi, Mark T
Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 4:38 PM
To: Ortiz, Frances
Subject: Michael/Karen Rodriguez v. COB - Workers Compensation Stipulation.

Frances - I need this item on the Agenda for the meeting on 1/18 for Referral to Misc. Matters Committee.

Do I need an Addendum? Or just submit the executive Summary before tomorrow 9 AM?

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SECTION I CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION INFORMATION	
Log ID/Item Number:	23-21
Submitted by Councilmember(s):	Aidee Nieves
Co-Sponsors(s):	Tyler Mack
District:	137 th & 131 st
Subject:	Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Chapter 2.06 - Common Council to add New Sections 2.06.080; 2.06.090 & 2.06.100.
Referred to:	Ordinance Committee
City Council Date:	January 18, 2022

SECTION II RESOLUTION (PLEASE TYPE BELOW)

**** PROPOSED DRAFT ****

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, EMPOWERED CITY COUNCIL ACT

WHEREAS, to ensure a separation of powers, the City of Bridgeport is made up of two separate branches of government: the legislative, City Council, and the executive, the Office of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the government is effective and citizens' rights are protected, each branch has its own powers and responsibilities, including working with the other branches; and

WHEREAS, our local government is structured this way to prevent one branch of government from becoming too powerful, and to create a system of checks and balances; and

WHEREAS, we remain steadfast in charting a new course for our city grounded in a vision for a beloved Bridgeport built on the principles of good governance, justice, equity, and democracy, in order to re-establish mutual respect with the people of Bridgeport to foster healthy community and diverse civic engagement; and,

WHEREAS, we define good governance as the process for making and implementing decisions on behalf of the public trust; that is accountable, transparent, follows the rule of law, is responsive, equitable and inclusive, efficient and effective, and participatory; and builds trust, honesty, and a collective vision for a people united by common law; and,

WHEREAS, the operation of good governance requires that we have co-equal branches of government so that one branch cannot dominate and control the other; and

WHEREAS, we desire to establish as a position of the City of Bridgeport that in order for our City Council to effectively govern on behalf of the public trust, our legislative branch must be given the resources it needs to draft ordinances, research policy positions, interpret legal documents and contracts, analyze complex financial statements, engage in constituent services, and clearly communicate with the public; and



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WHEREAS, all 20 members of City Council serve on an unpaid, volunteer basis without any support staff of its own; and,

WHEREAS, the executive branch is staffed with and supported by many salaried positions and department heads, which makes it stronger than the legislative branch;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is the position of the City of Bridgeport, as proposed in The People's Platform, that we empower the legislative branch of our local government by passing the following ordinances and appropriating the funds to staff City Council with the following positions; Legislative Aides who can support City Council on duties including but not limited to policy research, communication with the public and with other Council members, tracking legislation, administrative tasks, and constituent services; a Legislative & Legal Counsel who can support City Council on duties including but not limited to analyzing legal documents and contracts, authoring legal opinions, drafting resolutions and ordinances, and serving as parliamentarian; and a Budget Director who can support City Council and the Budget & Appropriations Committee on duties including but not limited to analyzing complex financial documents, tracking ongoing municipal spending, analyzing budgets across time, and directing the budgetary process; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Bridgeport wishes to reform our City Charter to address structural issues related to good governance and democracy, and calls on the City Council to study the City Charter to identify the areas of the Charter that require revision through a Charter Reform process; and

BE IT ORDAINED: By the City Council of the City of Bridgeport that the Bridgeport Municipal Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2.06 - Common Council, is hereby amended to add the following new Sections 2.06.080; 2.06.090 and 2.06.100:

(SEE ATTACHED)



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SECTION III SUBSEQUENT REFERRALS/REPLIES AND DATE SENT/RECEIVED

DEPARTMENT	Referral date sent	Response Received	Date reply received
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SECTION IV PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Public Hearing Required	Details	Date
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	CT Post Publication Date(s):	
	Public Hearing Held on:	

SECTION V AMENDMENTS/EXHIBITS

Choose an item.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date:
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SECTION VI COMMITTEE ACTION/APPROVAL INFORMATION

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SECTION VII WITHDRAWN/SINE DIE INFORMATION

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SECTION VIII DATE OF APPROVAL/DENIAL FROM CITY COUNCIL

City Council Approval Date:	
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SECTION IX COMMENTS (if any)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

(NEW SECTIONS)

2.06.080 - Legislative Aides for City Council.

(A) The Council shall appropriate sufficient funds to appoint up to 5 legislative aides to City Council.

(B) The Legislative Aides shall be selected as follows:

(a) City Council shall hire and retain up to 5 legislative aides who will be assigned to serve up to 4 City Council members each. Legislative Aides serve at the pleasure of, and whose duties shall be prescribed by, the City Council. Such legislative aides shall be Unclassified Employees.

(b) The President of the Council is authorized to appoint and assign, subject to the approval of the majority of Council, up to 5 Legislative Aides to the City Council.

(c) The Council shall solicit applications or recommendations with consideration to the appropriateness of the proposed aide's qualifications, estimated compensation, and other such considerations. This solicitation or application process will be made public in advance, and the council's discussion and voting on the selection of the aides shall be done on the record during regular council meeting(s).

(d) Such Legislative Aides shall serve as "at will" employees of the City Council. Compensation and benefits, job duties, and other terms and conditions of employment shall be determined by the City Council. The appointees shall be subject to removal by either the Council President or by a vote of 15 members of the Council.

(C) The Council may authorize the Council President to employ such other staff and assistants as deemed necessary for conducting official business with approval from the majority of the council.

(D) Council members shall not appoint nor recommend for appointment any relative to be an employee of City Council. A relative, for these purposes, includes but is not limited to an individual who is related to the public official as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother,

stepsister, half brother, or half sister. (see <https://ethics.house.gov/staff-rights-and-duties/nepotism>)

(E) Council members shall not appoint nor recommend for appointment any member of the Democratic Town Committee, Republican Town Committee, or any Town Committees yet formed to be an employee of the City Council.

2.06.090 - Legislative and Legal Counsel to the City Council.

(A) The Council shall appropriate sufficient funds to hire an attorney, or outside counsel, to advise members of the City Council on city matters when requested pursuant to this section. Such hiring or retention may be on an as-needed basis or otherwise, depending on the needs of the council.

(B) A request by resolution can be made for such outside counsel at any time for any reason on any issue or issues related to city matters when in the opinion of any 11 members of the council, it is necessary for the city council to obtain legal advice outside the city attorney's office. The resolution to obtain additional counsel shall contain the name of the attorney or law firm to be retained and the issue or issues to be addressed, and such counsel shall be selected as follows:

(a) Once the council has determined that outside counsel is necessary, the council shall solicit applications or recommendations with consideration to the appropriateness of the proposed attorney's qualifications, estimated fees, and other such considerations. This solicitation or application process will be made public in advance, and the council's discussion and voting on the selection of the attorney(s) shall be done on the record during regular council meeting(s).

(C) The hiring of outside counsel pursuant to this section is not subject to the approval of the mayor or city attorney.

(D) The City Council hereby determines that it may be necessary for the Council to obtain legal advice on a wide range of topics in addition to the advice of the City Attorney and hereby authorizes as follows:

(a) The President of the Council is authorized to appoint, subject to the approval of the majority of Council, an attorney to serve as Legislative and Legal Advisor to the City Council.

(b) Such attorney shall serve as an "at will" employee of the City Council, shall be a member of the bar of the State in good standing for a period of not less than ten (10) years at the time of appointment, and have been engaged in the practice of law as his or her principal occupation for not less than five

(5) years immediately preceding appointment. Compensation and benefits, job duties, and other terms and conditions of employment shall be determined by the Council President, consistent with the provisions of B(a) above. The appointee shall be subject to removal by a vote of 15 members of the Council.

(c) Such attorney shall not be a relative of any member of City Council. A relative, for these purposes, is an individual who is related to the public official as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half sister.

(d) Such attorney, and any relative of such attorney, shall not have held any position, paid or volunteer, with the City of Bridgeport within the previous 5 years prior to appointment.

(e) Such attorney shall not be a member of the Democratic Town Committee, Republican Town Committee, or any Town Committees yet formed.

2.06.100 - Budget Director for City Council.

(A) The council shall appropriate sufficient funds to hire a Budget Director to advise members of the City Council on budgetary matters.

(B) The Budget Director shall be selected as follows:

(a) City Council shall hire and retain a Budget Director who will be assigned to serve the Council. The Budget Director serves at the pleasure of, and whose duties shall be prescribed by, the City Council. Such Budget Director shall be an Unclassified Employee.

(b) The President of the Council is authorized to appoint, subject to the approval of the majority of Council, a Budget Director to serve the City Council.

(c) The Council shall solicit applications or recommendations with consideration to the appropriateness of the proposed Budget Director's qualifications, estimated fees, and other such considerations. This solicitation or application process will be made public in advance, and the council's discussion and voting on the selection of the Budget Director shall be done on the record during regular council meeting(s).

(d) Such Budget Director shall serve as an "at will" employee of the City Council. Compensation and benefits, job duties, and other terms and conditions of employment shall be determined by the City Council. The appointee shall be subject to removal by a vote of 15 members of the Council.

(C) Council members shall not appoint nor recommend for appointment any relative to be an employee of City Council. A relative, for these purposes, is an individual who is related to the public official as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half sister. (see <https://ethics.house.gov/staff-rights-and-duties/nepotism>)

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Item # *17-21 Consent Calendar

Approval of Additional Capital Project Authorization to the 2022-2026 Capital Plan and Approval of General Obligation Bonds.



**Report
of
Committee
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Budget and Appropriations**

City Council Meeting Date: January 18, 2022

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

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

Date Signed: *1/28/22*

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To the City Council of the City of Bridgeport.

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

Item No. *17-21 Consent Calendar

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL PROJECT AUTHORIZATION TO THE 2022-2026 CAPITAL PLAN AND APPROVAL OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bridgeport (the "City") has previously adopted the City's Five-Year Capital Plan for Fiscal Years 2022-2026 (the "2022-2026 Capital Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Bassick High School project (the "Bassick Project") was submitted to the State by the Bridgeport Board of Education and the City of Bridgeport in 2018, and then approved by the State as part of the State's 2019 School Building Project priority list with an original total cost of \$115 million; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City has previously adopted the City's Five-Year Capital Plans for a total of \$28.5 million for the Bassick Project based upon the City's anticipated required share of local funding toward the \$115 million Bassick Project - \$1 million in startup funding adopted in the City's Five Year Capital Plan for Fiscal Years 2018-2022 (the "2018-2022 Capital Plan") and \$27.5 million in construction funding adopted in the City's Five Year Capital Plan for Fiscal Years 2019-2023 (the "2019-2023 Capital Plan"); and

WHEREAS, changes and revisions to the scope of the Bassick Project have since been approved by the City's Board of Education and School Building Committee and revised Educational Specifications submitted by the City's Board of Education to the State, including enrollment increases to approximately 1,250 students, a revision to the Bassick Project site location and design plan to include the Bassick Project as new construction, land cost purchase and remediation costs, the incorporation of Bridgeport Military Academy students into the proposed Bassick Project enrollment, and the resultant revised cost increase of \$14 million to the Bassick Project now totaling for the Bassick Project an overall cost of \$129 million (the "Updated Bassick Project"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined it to be in the best interest of the City to add additional capital plan authorization in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the Updated Bassick Project, as more particularly listed on Exhibit A attached hereto to the City's 2022-2026 Capital Plan to ensure that the total Five-Year Capital Plan funding allocated to the Updated Bassick Project (including the \$1 million in startup funding) is \$32 million; and



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WHEREAS, the Charter of the City requires that authorization to borrow against any Five-Year Capital Plan be approved by the City Council; and, to date a total of \$15.5 million of such borrowing authorization has been approved and bonded; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined it to be in the best interest of the City to approve additional borrowing authorization for the City's 2022-2026 Capital Plan in the amount of \$16,500,000 for the Updated Bassick Project, all as more particularly listed on Exhibit B attached hereto; and now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the City's 2022-2026 Capital Plan, as adopted by the City Council, is hereby amended to incorporate the additional Updated Bassick Project costs as set forth on Exhibit A.

RESOLVED, that having received the recommendation of the Mayor of the City with respect to the action authorized herein, the City Council hereby approves an appropriation of the amounts necessary to: (i) fund the Updated Bassick Project in an additional aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$16,500,000 and the issuance of general obligation bonds secured by the City's full faith and credit (the "Bonds"), in an additional aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$16,500,000 (exclusive of Financing Costs, as hereinafter defined) for the purposes of funding the Updated Bassick Project as set forth on Exhibit B; and (ii) finance such additional costs and expenses, in an amount not to exceed three percent (3%) of such authorization, as the Mayor, the Finance Director, and the Treasurer (collectively, the "Officials") shall approve for the funding of necessary and appropriate financing and/or issuance costs including, but not limited to legal, advisory, credit enhancement, trustee, underwriters' discount, printing and administrative expenses, as well as the cost of the establishment and maintenance of any reserve pursuant to Chapter 109, Chapter 117 and other chapters of the Connecticut General Statutes (the "Financing Costs"); and be it further

RESOLVED, the Officials are further authorized on behalf of the City to make temporary borrowings as authorized by the Connecticut General Statutes and to issue temporary notes of the City in anticipation of the receipt of proceeds from the sale of the Bonds to be issued pursuant to this resolution and such notes shall be issued and renewed at such time and with such maturities, requirements and limitations as provided by statute; notes evidencing such borrowings shall be executed in the same manner as if they were bonds and the officials shall determine the date, maturity, interest rates, form and manner of sale, including negotiated sale, and other details of said notes consistent with the provisions of this resolution and the Connecticut General Statutes and shall have all powers and authority as in connection with the issuance of bonds; and be it further



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RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes and approves that the Bonds be secured by the City's property taxes, including interest, penalties and related charges, pursuant to Chapter 117 and other chapters of the Connecticut General Statutes, and, if deemed necessary or appropriate by the Officials and in the City's best interest, hereby authorizes the Officials: (i) to establish a property tax intercept procedure and a debt service payment fund pursuant to Chapter 117 of the Connecticut General Statutes, §7-560 et seq., and other Chapters of the Connecticut General Statutes, on such terms as the Officials deem necessary or appropriate, and (ii) all further actions which the Officials deem necessary or appropriate to so secure the Bonds or which are contemplated by law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Officials, if they determine it to be advisable, necessary or appropriate, hereby are authorized, on behalf of the City, to enter into an indenture of trust and/or a supplemental indenture of trust to the City's existing indenture (collectively, the "Indenture") with a bank or trust company located within or without the State of Connecticut (the "Trustee"), and to covenant: (i) if the Bonds are issued pursuant to such Indenture that all or a portion of the City's property taxes shall be paid to the Trustee and be held in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds as provided in Chapter 117 and other Chapters of the Connecticut General Statutes, and (ii) the terms on which any payments or reserves securing the payment of the Bonds will be paid, and the terms of any reserve or other fund for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds; and, in any event, to amend or supplement the Indenture containing such terms and conditions as the Officials shall determine to be necessary or advisable and in the best interest of the City, the execution thereof to be conclusive evidence of such determination; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Officials, if the Officials determine it is in the City's best interest, to acquire, on behalf of the City, bond insurance or other forms of credit enhancement guaranteeing the Bonds on such terms as the Officials determine to be appropriate, such terms to include, but not be limited to, those relating to fees, premiums and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with such credit enhancement, the terms of payment of such expenses and costs and such other undertakings as the issuer of the credit enhancement shall require; and the Officials, if they determine that it is appropriate, are authorized, on the City's behalf, to grant security to the issuer of the credit enhancement to secure the City's obligations arising under the credit enhancement, including the establishment of a reserve from proceeds of the Bonds; and be it further



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RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Officials to determine the date, maturity, prices, interest rates whether fixed or floating, form, manner of sale (whether by negotiation or public sale) or other terms and conditions of the Bonds, including the terms of any reserve that might be established as authorized herein, whether any of the Bonds issued will be issued as taxable bonds and whether the Bonds will be issued in one or more series on the same or one or more separate dates, all in such a manner as the Officials shall determine to be in the best interest of the City, and to take such actions and to execute such documents, or to designate other officials or employees of the City to take such actions and to execute such documents, as deemed to be necessary or advisable and in the best interests of the City by the Officials in order to issue, sell and deliver the Bonds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Officials in connection with the issuance of the Bonds to execute and deliver on behalf of the City such reimbursement agreements, remarketing agreements, standby bond purchase agreements, interest rate swap agreements, and other agreements for the purpose of managing the interest rate fluctuations and risks and any other appropriate agreements the Officials deem necessary, appropriate or desirable to the issuance of the Bonds and the Officials are hereby authorized on behalf of the City to secure the payment of such agreements with the full faith and credit of the City, if they deem it necessary, appropriate or desirable; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Bonds shall be signed by the Officials provided that such signatures of any two of such officers of the City affixed to the Bonds may be by facsimiles of such signatures printed on the Bonds, and each of such Officers and any designee of any of them is authorized to take such actions, and execute such agreements, instruments and documents, on behalf of the City, that they deem necessary, appropriate or desirable to consummate the intendment of this and the foregoing resolutions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Officials in connection with the issuance of the Bonds to allocate any unused bond proceeds to other City projects authorized for bonding, consistent with the applicable tax and other laws, as deemed to be necessary or advisable and in the best interests of the City by the Officials; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Officials are hereby authorized to apply for and accept any available State or federal grant in aid of the financing of the Updated Bassick Project, and to take all action necessary or proper in connection therewith.



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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
THE COMMITTEE ON
BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Scott Burns, D-130th, Co-chair

Ernest E. Newton II, D-139th, Co-chair

Mary A. McBride-Lee, D-135th

Jeanette Herron, D-133rd

Matthew McCarthy, D-130th

Tyler Mack, D-131st

AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia, D-134th

City Council Date: January 18, 2022

Exhibit A

Additional Capital Projects

<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>2022</u> <u>Capital Plan</u> <u>Authorization</u>
<i>Board of Education</i>	
Bassick High School - New	\$3,500,000
Total	<u>\$3,500,000</u>

Exhibit B

Bonding Authorization

<u>Project Description</u>	<u>FY19 Capital Plan Bonding Authorization</u>	<u>FY22 Capital Plan Bonding Authorization</u>
<i>Board of Education</i>		
Bassick High School - New	\$13,000,000	\$3,500,000
Total	<u>\$13,000,000</u>	<u>\$3,500,000</u>

Total Overall Bonding Authorization for Updated Bassick Project - \$16,500,000

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT							
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT							
FY2022-26 FIVE YEARS CAPITAL PLAN BUDGET WITH MID YEAR \$3.5M BASSICK HIGH SCHOOL AMENDMENT							
AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED BY THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 10, 2022							
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PUBLIC FACILITIES:							
Roadway Paving, Culverts, Intersections(Amendment) City / Neighborhood Beautification	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	12,000,000
Wonderland of Ice - Roof Replacement		1,000,000					1,000,000
Police Hq -Upper & Lower Parking Decks/Rooftop Public Facilities Equipment	2,099,000	1,336,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	5,000,000
Muni Bldg. HVAC / Heating / Elec./ Facilities	840,000						0
City Wide Building & Security Improvements	2,073,000						0
New East Side Senior Center-Old Engine 10/Putnam St.		2,500,000					2,500,000
Klein Memorial Auditorium -Masonry/Roof Replacement		1,126,000					1,126,000
Facilities Assessments /Planning Studies				150,000			150,000
Energy Conservation /Conversion Program				250,000			250,000
Harbor Yard Ballpark Upgrades				1,000,000			1,000,000
752 East Main Street Demolition/ Rehabilitation	800,000						0
Street Lights Wattage Upgrade				500,000			500,000
Various Airport Improvements/Equipment's Projects	125,000	213,000	217,500	207,000	156,000	0	793,500
Parks Maintenance Equip(Include Golf Course)	765,000	340,000		667,000		0	1,007,000
Various Parks Improvements - Citywide			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
Traffic Lights Upgrades			125,000				125,000
Perry Memorial Arch.				500,000			500,000
Tennis Courts Improvement - Citywide				170,000		225,000	395,000
Kennedy Stadium	1,525,000			100,000			100,000
Park Restrooms - Citywide	125,000	0		200,000		200,000	400,000
Went Field Park Improvement			570,000		0		570,000
Golf Course Improvements		150,000	300,000	950,000	1,000,000	0	2,400,000
Beardsley Zoo Improvements	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		0	250,000				250,000
Citywide Bridges Engineering Assessment	250,000		500,000				500,000
Rooster River Conduit - Design/Rehab./Flood Control				200,000	2,000,000		2,200,000
Johnson Creek Flood Control					1,000,000		1,000,000
Other City Wide Flood Control					1,000,000		1,000,000
Island Brook Flood Control - Design- City Share				2,000,000			2,000,000
Northeast Flood Control - Design City Share					2,000,000		2,000,000
Ox Brook Flood Control - Design City Share						2,000,000	2,000,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FACILITIES	14,927,000	11,065,000	7,152,500	15,469,000	10,916,000	6,400,000	51,002,500
OTHER DEPARTMENTS:							
Fire Apparatus Replacement Program / Vehicles	725,000	750,000	1,725,000	892,000	850,000		4,217,000
WPCA Capital Improvements (Amended)*	1,295,000	0	980,000	1,280,000	1,005,000	400,000	3,665,000
Emergency Operations / Technology upgrade	125,000		0	514,650	153,000		667,650
Bpt. Library Proj.-Computers, floor,furniture,electrical>window	675,000		0	825,000	175,000	40,000	1,040,000
New North End/Reservoir Avenue Library/Study/Design		100,000		2,000,000			2,100,000
TOTAL OTHER DEPARTMENTS	2,820,000	850,000	2,705,000	5,511,650	2,183,000	440,000	11,689,650
TOTAL ALL DEPARTMENTS	24,627,000	21,497,000	16,757,500	25,080,650	15,099,000	7,840,000	86,274,150
Notes:	<p>The construction of the New Bassick High School has increased from \$115m to \$129m primarily due to change of site,increased student enrollment, land acquisition, remediation cost and increase in construction cost due to the effect of Covid in the building material chain.</p> <p>The increase in student enrollment is attributable to the relocation of Bridgeport Military Academy students into the new Bassick high school location.</p> <p>The City of Bridgeport share on the \$14m increase is \$3.5m and that is the reason for the proposed capital budget amendment in FY22.</p> <p>The State of Connecticut bonding commission requires that Bridgeport legislative body commit and approve their \$3.5m share of the increased cost.</p>						

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BOARD OF EDUCATION:							
New Bassick High School(City Share) Amended *		3,500,000					3,500,000
Nutrition Center-Roof Replacement (21% City Share)	315,000	554,000					554,000
Maplewood School -Roof Replacement (21%) City Share				1,300,000			1,300,000
Cesar Batallia - Replace Ice Storage Syst.w/Chiller	850,000						0
Jettie Tisdale -Replace Ice Storage Syst. w/Chiller	1,000,000						0
Curiale School-Roof Replacement(21%) City Share		378,000					378,000
Edison School - Roof Replacement (21%) City Share			900,000				900,000
Blackham - Masonry-Outside Pool Wall/Heating Syst.	125,000						0
Hallen School - Roof Replacment (21%) City Share				1,800,000			1,800,000
TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION	2,290,000	4,432,000	900,000	3,100,000	0	0	8,432,000
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:							
Land Management / Acquisition		0	1,000,000		1,000,000		2,000,000
Amphitheater Additional Funding	4,500,000						0
City Owned Properties-Development Ready Program						1,000,000	1,000,000
Lafayette Blvd/Fairfield Ave./Redesign-(10 %City Match)		650,000					650,000
Remington Arms Site Improvement(FY20 Amendment)*		3,000,000	2,000,000				5,000,000
Gateway To South End/Citywide Strategic Acquisition		1,000,000	1,000,000				2,000,000
Blight / Demolition / Clean Up/Property Management			1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000		3,000,000
Jetland St. Parking Garage Addition/Expansion		500,000	1,000,000				1,500,000
Seaview Ave Corridor/Waterfront Proj(20% city match)(Amended)*	90,000						
TOTAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	4,590,000	5,150,000	6,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	15,150,000

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Grant Submission: re State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division - Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. (#22399)



Report
of
Committee
on

Public Safety and Transportation

City Council Meeting Date: January 18, 2022

Attest: Lydia N. Martinez

Lydia N. Martinez, City Clerk

Approved by: Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date Signed: 1/24/22

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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. *06-21 Consent Calendar

**A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council
Regarding the
State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division
Youth Violence Prevention Initiative (# 22399)**

WHEREAS, the **State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the **Special Act 21-15** which allocates funds to the **Youth Violence Prevention Initiative** to support youth violence prevention programs in Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, and Waterbury; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to support programs that provide services to youth within the City to reduce risk factors in communities with high levels of criminal activity, decrease the likelihood that youth who are exposed to risk factors will become involved in these activities, and provide intervention services; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport Police Department submits an application to the **State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division** to support youth violence prevention programs

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 Court Support Services Division** for the purpose of its **Youth Violence Prevention Initiative**.
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs, and empowers the Mayor or his designee, the Director of Central Grants, to accept any funds that result from the City's application to the **State of Connecticut Court Support Services Division- Youth Violence Prevention Initiative** 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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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
THE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION

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Jorge Cruz

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Alfredo Castillo

Wanda R. Simmons

Amy-Marie Vizzo-Paniccia

City Council Date: January 18, 2022

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Settlement of Pending Litigation with Dennis Martinez.



**Report
of
Committee
on**

Miscellaneous Matters

City Council Meeting Date: January 18, 2022
(OFF THE FLOOR)

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

Approved by: _____
Joseph P. Ganim, Mayor

Date Signed: _____

Please Note: Mayor Did Not Sign Report

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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. 15-21

WHEREAS, a lawsuit in the following name was filed against the City of Bridgeport and/or its employees and investigation disclosed the likelihood on the part of the City for which, in the event of suit and trial, the City might be held liable, and

WHEREAS, negotiations with the Plaintiff's attorney has made it possible to settle this suit for the figure set forth below, and the City Attorney, therefore, recommends the following settlement be accepted, Now, Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Comptroller be, and hereby is authorized, empowered and directed to draw his order on the City Treasurer payable as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Nature of Claim</u>	<u>Plaintiff's Attorney</u>	<u>Settlement</u>
Dennis Martinez	Discriminatory and Unlawful Actions	John R. Williams 51 Elm Street, Suite 409 New Haven, CT 06510	\$75,000.00

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
THE COMMITTEE ON
MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

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City Council Date: January 18, 2022 (Off The Floor)