### **AGENDA**

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 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

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

28-21 Public Hearing re: Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Green Village Initiative Inc. for 1469 Reservoir Avenue and 20 Yaremich Drive.

Council President Creation of Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

### MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

Approval of City Council Minutes: December 20, 2021; January 3, 2022 & January 18, 2022

### COMMUNICATIONS TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

- 29-21 Communication from Tax Collector re: Refund of Excess Payments Montrey LLC Re: 1245 Fairfield Avenue, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 30-21 Communication from Tax Collector re: Refund of Excess Payments Greystone Servicing Co. LLC Re: 215 Barnum Avenue, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 31-21 Communication from Mayor re: Appointment of Lee Grisby (R) to the Parks Commission, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- Communication from Housing & Community Development re: Proposed Program Year 48 Annual Action Plan: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG); HOME Investment Partnership and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), referred to Special Committee on CDBG Program.

Agenda City Council Meeting February 22, 2022

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

Resolution presented by Council Member(s) Pereira & Small and Co-sponsor Cruz re: Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Chapter 10.32 – The Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cycles, or Mini Cycles, referred to Ordinance Committee.

(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; 2021-2022; Full/Minutes/Size; 2022-02-22 pdf)

THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 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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NAME	SUBJECT			
John Marshall Lee 30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605	Council Governance & CAFR.			
Johnny R. Moore 574-576 Union Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06607	Bridgeport WPCA Collection Practices.			
Ellie Angerame Green Village Initiative 497 Laurel Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	Lease Renewal for Bridgeport's Reservoir Community Farm and the value of urban agriculture in Bridgeport.			
Diane Chappell 60 Yaremich Drive, Apt. 24 Bridgeport, CT 06606	Support for the Reservoir Community Farm.			
Elisha Brockenberry Green Village Initiative 146 Ocean Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605	The importance of reservoir community farm to students and community.			
Lucas Stoyanoff Green Village Initiative 135 Clarence Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06608	Reservoir Community Farm (RCF) and the potential for continuing nutritional assistance, education, and community engagement with Bridgeport's (GVI).			
Angie Staltaro Mayor's Conservation Corp. 999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604	Keeping the GVI Reservoir Farm open with a long-term lease.			
Donald Wilson Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse 56 Fairview Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06606	Support for Reservoir Community Farm.			
Victoria Majewski 378 Willow Street Bridgeport, CT 06610	City's farm, Green Village Initiative, the importance of their lease renewal, their impact on the city and city council's role.			
Reginald Saint Fortcolin 190 Alice Street	Reservoir Community Farm/Green Village Initiative Lease.			

Bridgeport, CT 06606

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### PUBLIC SPEAKING FORUM

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 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 6:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** 

The Assistant City Clerk Frances Ortiz called the roll.

130th District: Scott Burns, Matthew McCarthy

131st District: Jorge Cruz, Tyler Mack

132<sup>nd</sup> District: Marcus Brown, *Rolanda Smith* 133<sup>rd</sup> District: Aikeem Boyd, Jeanette Herron

134<sup>th</sup> District: Michelle Lyons, *AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia* 135<sup>th</sup> District: *Mary McBride-Lee*, Rosalina Roman-Christy

136<sup>th</sup> District: Avelino Silva, Alfredo Castillo 137<sup>th</sup> District: Aidee Nieves, Maria Valle 138<sup>th</sup> District: Maria Pereira, Michele Small 139<sup>th</sup> District: Wanda Simmons, Ernest Newton

A quorum was present. The names in italics did not appear to respond during the roll call.

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John Marshall Lee

Council Governance & CAFR.

30 Beacon Street Bridgeport, CT 06605

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

City Council, twenty women and men, registered voters, and Bridgeport residents, willing at one time to place running for Council office as a priority in your life. And since then? Still a priority? What feeds your energy, dedication, and resilience year after year? Likely not photo ops because photos fade.

Nor the stipend at \$9,000 annually though some folks think that this is a payment to you rather than a way you cover your Council expenses when you attend meetings to learn more. The CC stipends total \$180,000 but you never spend that amount. Why not consider a second limited distribution to any of your members who have had genuine learning or action projects, reported to the people of Bridgeport as a whole, which expenses, exceed their personal annual stipend amount, but help all. Community wins, Council member gets relief, and taxpayer sees budgeted expense or less!

What city priority causes you to care most? Does your sub-committee Chair know, or does the Council President? There may see opportunities upcoming you know little about but if others know your passion, you may earn a chance.

Speaking of priorities, the City priority, what does that look like to you at this moment? Shouldn't you have such in mind going into budget hearings and decision making? The latest Comprehensive Annual Financial Report did not have any narrative comment about the Holiday Inn closing or how that conversion fits today's downtown development or not.

Hotels are necessary for visitors to a City. Do we have enough of those? Convert a property into residences for people. People have retail needs also. Are they met for most downtown? So former hotels house the lower income or less wealthy and disabled? And depend on subsidies? And call on City services, of Police when their own private security force is inadequate; on Fire when elevators become kidnap machines for the ill-timed or unwary; or on Health Department, when heat, vermin, or water issues emerge or social workers from the community are called to help those less prepared for the pace and changes in modern life.

Properties accepting funding from HUD look for residents to participate in democratic processes to represent their issues and concerns of fellow tenants, but HUD regulations do not necessarily get tenants to step up, run to represent others, or become champions for their own interests, unfortunately. You can assist them in formation. Where do such persons turn, especially when they have health issues limiting their

Where do such persons turn, especially when they have health issues limiting their locomotion and transportation? When they are provided less better health care routinely than many of you. If you don't believe that is so? Just ask one or more especially if emotional or mental issues are the reason for their prescription.

Bridgeport contains a large number of rental properties, whether Park City Communities projects, scattered site housing, or other managed properties for senior or disabled, in a variety of neighborhood districts. You know the people. Are they organized and meeting successfully? How can you help them? Where do you guide them as you listen? Are they your priority? Time will tell.

Johnny R. Moore 574-576 Union Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06607 Bridgeport WPCA Collection Practices.

Council President Nieves called for Mr. Moore. There was no response. She called again and there was no response.

Ellie Angerame Green Village Initiative 497 Laurel Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605 Lease Renewal for Bridgeport's Reservoir Community Farm and the value of urban agriculture in Bridgeport.



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Green Village Initiative is a non-profit organization whose mission is to grow food, knowledge, leadership and community through urban gardening and farming, to create a more just food system in Bridgeport.

Dear Members of the City Council,

Welcome to those of you who are new to the Council. My name is Ellie Angerame, and I am the Executive Director of Green Village Initiative.

Tonight, I come before you to advocate for your approval of GVI's Reservoir Community Farm's lease and ask that you envision the Farm as more than a bookmark for future development and instead as a greenspace that can bolster the impact of any future Library on the site. This week Bridgeport farmers are sowing seeds for hot pepper and eggplants to feed you, and we ask that you support us with a speedy and collaborative lease passage.

We at Green Village Initiative are on a mission to grow food, knowledge, leadership and community through urban gardening and farming, to create a more just food system in Bridgeport.

We dream of a future for Bridgeport where all of us, in every district and zip code, can access fresh, affordable, nutritious food that reflects the diversity of Bridgeport's community. A key resource in making this vision a reality is Reservoir Community Farm.

Reservoir Community Farm has been growing for ten years, cultivating thousands of pounds of food in Bridgeport's soil, doubling SNAP dollars, employing hundreds of Bridgeport teens and dozens of Bridgeport adults, and investing in field trips for Bridgeport schoolchildren, free workshops.. the list goes on.

The Farm is much more than land for growing food and our current nonprofit programming. Many of you on the Council, when looking over the City of Bridgeport's Urban Agriculture Master Plan in 2019 shared excitement for the visionary results that farms in cities inspire. Our site incubates food businesses as they expand and is setting the stage for a green economy that Bridgeport could spearhead in Fairfield County if you, our leadership, are invested in that future. We could follow the path of other major cities like New York and New Haven who are

investing in urban agriculture for its proven benefits in crime reduction and improving mental health.

The future before us includes the likely collaboration of sharing 1469 Reservoir Avenue with a Bridgeport Public Library building, and we imagine that future with hope. We see synergy in combining literacy and urban farming, of building a site capable of catalyzing more educational, employment, and entrepreneurial opportunities.

The process to bring a lease before you this evening for Public Comment has been a long one. We have worked hard with the Office of Planning and Economic Development, with the Board of Public Libraries and, most importantly, with our farm neighbors to Zoom before you at this juncture.

Members of the Council who will sit on the Joint Committee, I want to speak frankly in saying that the lease that will come before you is one that is a deep and heartfelt compromise. It is staked on the belief that if you allow us to continue our mission on Reservoir Community Farm, that we can have a future that includes collaboration with the library and potentially lets us serve many more generations of Bridgeporters.

We look forward to continuing to build food justice in our city and invite you, our local council members, to be part of the revolution.

Sincerely,

Ellie Angerame Executive Director Ellie@goGVI.org

Lucas Stoyanoff
Green Village Initiative
135 Clarence Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06608

Reservoir Community Farm (RCF) and the potential for continuing nutritional assistance, education, and community engagement with Bridgeport's (GVI).

Mr. Stoyanoff greeted the Council and said that he looks forward to working with the staff at the Green Village Initiative and the Farmer's Market. He spoke about all the activities that he has seen at GVI, which has allowed him to thrive. It is a space to breathe open air and a community farm is a rare oasis, particularly during the pandemic. There are educational opportunities for everyone. He said that if there is a garden and a library, one has everything they need. There is great potential for the GVI and the Library to work together. He asked the City Council to support the lease.

Diane Chappell

60 Yaremich Drive, Apt. 24 Bridgeport, CT 06606 Support for the Reservoir Community Farm.

Ms. Chappell said that she lives right next to the Reservoir Community Farm. She watched the gardeners from her living room window and wondered if she could grow some food for her family. Her father coached her through the early stages before he passed away. Now she is a Cocaptain Gardener and has met so many people. The place that was once covered with trash is now a flourishing area with seeds and water. She supports the renewal of the lease.

Elisha Brockenberry

Green Village Initiative 146 Ocean Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605 The importance of reservoir community farm to students and community.

Council President Nieves called for Ms. Brockenberry. There was no response. She called again and there was still no response.

**Angie Staltaro** 

Mayor's Conservation Corp. 999 Broad Street Bridgeport, CT 06604 Keeping the GVI Reservoir Farm open with a long-term lease.

Ms. Staltaro said that she was responsible for working with the Mayor's Conservation Corps and was involved from the beginning of the Reservoir Community Farm. It has become a wonderful treat for them and people have recently learned how to plant garlic. The Core Group is eager to return to the garden to start work. There are also students from Sacred Heart there, along with other schools. The garden helps the local food pantry. She requested the Council to support this lease.

**Donald Wilson** 

Support for Reservoir Community Farm.

Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse 56 Fairview Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06606

Council President Nieves called for Mr. Wilson. There was no response. She called again and there was no response.

Victoria Majewski 378 Willow Street Bridgeport, CT 06610 City's farm, Green Village Initiative, the importance of their lease renewal, their impact on the city and city council's role.

Ms. Majewski of Willow Street introduced herself and said that in 2020 at the NRZ meeting she had been part of the community that wanted to extend the original lease and did not want the library where GVI is. She is studying Public Health and specializing in Health Equity, Community Mental Health Care and Criminology from the Sociology perspective as an undergraduate.

She said that in thinking about the environmental racism and the pollution that everyone is exposed to in Bridgeport as well as the lack of accessibility to equitable health care, and the large disparities that are displayed for black, brown and poor people, along with the current state of the climate crisis, it is hard for her to understand why they are at this meeting to advocate for the only educational farm. Everyone should be talking about investing more money into more green spaces to bring the community together rather than the capitalist greed that is destroying the planet, creating food insecurity in the cities and generating the environmental and pollution racism that everyone is being harmed by. The air everyone breathes and the tap water that people drink is hurting their physical and mental health. The Council really needs to be supporting locations like GVI.

It's not just about preserving GVI as an educational farm, but because of what it brings to the community that it is located in. This farm cannot be moved, especially since the Reservoir Community relies on it for clean, affordable, fresh produce and space to support their mental health.

Ms. Majewski said she was sure that there were many other lots or buildings that could house the library rather than paving and reducing an existing farm. There are plenty of libraries throughout the City and in the East End, it took decades to actually get a library, but that library is not open to the public to use.

Bridgeport is a colorful and diverse place. Although there is a diverse Council, when she spoke with residents throughout the City, the residents struggle to trust the City Council because the power was voted away to Mayor Ganim when the Charter was amended. There is no diversity in Bridgeport regarding the power over the City Council. The Mayor, the crony contractors and the developers in Bridgeport are all wealthy white men. They influence the way that many of the City Council Members vote rather than their constituents a lot of the time. Ms. Majewski said that this would come down to a vote influenced by the City Council Member that represents the 135th District. Despite her personal wants for the lot, and how the powers above may or may not be influencing her, the Council Members should remember they are there to represent their District. The people have the power to organize and vote the Council Members out. They will be watching how Council Members vote on the GVI lot. Please renew the GVI lease.

### Reginald Saint Fortcolin

190 Alice Street Bridgeport, CT 06606 Reservoir Community Farm/Green Village Initiative Lease.

Mr. Saint Fortcolin greeted the Council and said that 49% of Bridgeport did not have access to fresh fruit and vegetables. He said that he was present to speak in support of GVI. He spoke about food insecurity in the Hollow. He said that children need something to do and need to be outside to support mental health. GVI provides that and he said that he has heard that GVI might be destroyed. The plans for the library are almost 30 years old. He supports Bridgeport and GVI Community Farm. There should be more places like this. It is time to move forward for the mental health of the children and all the Bridgeport residents.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Nieves closed the Public Speaking portion of the Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Telesco Secretarial Services

### CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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### 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 led the Council in prayer.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### **ROLL CALL**

The Assistant City Clerk Ms. Ortiz called the roll.

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28-21 Public Hearing re: Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Green Village Initiative Inc. for 1469 Reservoir Avenue and 20 Yaremich Drive.

Mayor Ganim opened the Public Hearing on the Lease Agreement with Green Village Initiative Inc. for 1469 Reservoir Avenue and 20 Yaremich Drive at 7:05 p.m.

Council Member Valle said regarding the lease for the Green Village Initiative, she would be voting for it. It is a way for the residents to get to know one another and also save money on fresh produce. She encouraged the other Council Members to support this.

Ms. Lindsay Thompson greeted the Council and said that she was a documentary film maker. It will be good to have the farm in the City. Adam and Eve were charged with being stewards of the garden.

Council Member Herron said that she was an avid gardener. Some students get very excited and they want to go back and grow their food. She said that she was in support of GVI because it is productive for the residents to grow their own food.

Council Member Newton said that this was a golden opportunity for both the garden and the library. One of the speakers made a comment about the Newfield Library not opening, but it will open when everything is completed. He said that he takes exception to people bringing in issues that have nothing to do with this particular project and lease. It's important to have people learn about how to grow vegetables. He complimented the GVI staff for compromising with the library and the Council Members for working so hard to get a library in that area.

**Council Member McBride-Lee** thanked Council Member Newton for his comments. Both she and Council Member Roman-Christy have worked hard for this. There are four schools in the area, but no library. She said that it should be a shared space for both the library and the garden. She is happy she doesn't have to make a choice between the Library and the garden.

Council Member Cruz thanked all the speakers who spoke in favor of this. He said that he supports this farm because they have reached out and engaged the community. He would like to see more gardens like this throughout the City.

**Council Member Simmons** thanked those who sent emails to her about this. She supports GVI. It provides employment for teens and therapy for others.

**Mr.** Nick [inaudible] of Amsterdam Avenue said that he was a Bridgeport resident only for a year but he volunteered at the Farm and at other locations. This helped him meet other residents and the community members. He hopes that the Council will support this measure.

**Ms. Debbie Simms** said that she was in support of GVI. Ms. Angerame has been available to provide produce to the people in her area, so she supports them.

Council Member Silva said that he is a gardener himself and supports this. It's good for the children to learn about gardens.

Council Member Roman-Christy, the Council Member for the District, said that the site had been designated for library many years ago. However, the funding allocated for the library was later transferred to the North End Library. Both she and Council Member McBride-Lee have worked hard for the Library and felt that the two entities will work together. She wants to see a collaboration between both the Library and GVI. There are those who think she is against the farm being on the site and this is not true.

Ms. Ellie Angerame, the head of GVI, came forward and said that she was born in Bridgeport and was 22 years old. She was a shy young woman but GVI helped her grow and mature. This is what GVI has done for her and other young individuals. She said that she was in support of the lease for the children in the future.

**Ms.** Valeria Shelly of 10 Middle Street in Bridgeport, greeted the Council. She is a member of the GVI Board. Compromise is a wonderful thing and GVI is happy to work with the Library on this. GVI works hard to empower the community regarding food insecurity.

Mr. Kharmarri spoke about how he was able to socialize when he went to the farm. He supports the farm lease renewal.

Ms. Emma Holtzman said that she was a volunteer and was supporting GVI. She works with the GVI School Garden Program. She said that she was also excited about the Library.

**Ms.** Marsha Jeune said that she was present to support GVI because she had learned how to grow food. The produce at the store is expensive. Having a collaboration between the Farm and the Library is excellent.

**Mr. Juan Forero** came forward and said that he was in favor of GVI. As a teacher at one of the nearby schools, he walked with his class to the farm. It is convenient for the students.

**Council Member Lyons** said she was in favor of the proposal for the GVI lease. She commended Council Member McBride-Lee and Roman-Christy for working for a compromise. Having both the Library and the Farm there together is great.

Mr. Don Wilson of Fairview Avenue said that the Farm offers peace after a long day at work. He teaches others about farming as well. He is pleased with the compromise and hopes that the Farm will continue to be there for the youth. It is a vital resource. The City needs green spaces and it is important not to lose any.

Ms. Victoria Majewski of Willow Street said that the farm isn't that big and she was sure that the four schools have their own libraries. She felt that they shouldn't have a library on the property. She said that they shouldn't have another library if they can't have the other libraries open.

Ms. Alicia Brockenberry of Ocean Avenue said that it was important to preserve green space. She said that there may not be enough food for everyone if they don't teach others about gardening. She is into having sustainability and teaching children about nature. This is a rare example of this and she understands the need for literacy but felt that they don't understand the need for the garden.

Ms. Kasey Perkins, of Old Hill Road, is a part of Bridgeport Generation NOW and part of GVI. She is also an early childhood educator and has seen the impact of how the gardens help people connect with the land. It nurtures their bodies, and the land around everyone. She is sad to hear that there is a problem with nurturing their bodies and the land versus nurturing the minds. The GVI soil has been cared for and improved for nutrition. The library can be located somewhere else. The farm should be protected.

Ms. Kristin Ferrerese said that her business likes to use farm to table produce. She would like to see more of this because the surrounding towns also use farm to table produce and do it well.

Ms. Racquel Rivera said that she was a chef and has work on the farm. She is excited about the variety of plants that are grown. Having the produce grown by people who look like the community is very unique and needed. While it would be nice to have a library, there is so much that happens at GVI and she would like it to stay the way it is.

Mayor Ganim complimented the Library, OPED and GVI for working out the issues. He closed the public hearing at 7:53 p.m.

Council President Creation of Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

\*\* COUNCIL PRESIDENT NIEVES MOVED THE APPOINTMENT OF FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEMBERS AS THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG):

JEANETTE HERRON TYLER MACK MARY MCBRIDE-LEE MARIA VALLE ROLANDA SMITH MICHELE SMALL ALFREDO CASTILLO

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council President Nieves said that she was leaving the meeting at 7:58 p.m. She said Council Member Brown who is the Council President Pro Tempore, was present on the call.

### **MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**

December 20, 2021; January 3, 2022 & January 18, 2022

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON MOVED THE DECEMBER 20, 2021 MINUTES.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON SECONDED.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PEREIRA MOVED TO AMEND THE DECEMBER 20, 2021 MINUTES.

Council Member Pereira submitted the corrections for the December 20, 2021 minutes as follows:

- 1) Public Comment- Page 4- Last Paragraph: "Council Member Pereira said that she would be meeting with Nate because there is a need for litigation [inaudible]" I have no idea who "Nate" is and made no such reference regarding speaking with a "Nate" about "litigation." This needs to be eliminated.
- 2) Regular Meeting Page 9 First paragraph: Should read I stated "Everything about Steel Pointe reeks of gentrification. Bass Pro was being sued by the Federal Department of Labor for racist hiring practices when the developers and Mayor Finch decided it was a great idea to bring them to Bridgeport when our community was 78% minority." Boca and Starbucks aren't here for existing Bridgeport residents, they are here to cater to wealthy, white outsiders. I have never had anyone ask me to stop by Starbucks to grab a cup of coffee as the vast majority of residents are Dunkin Donuts coffee drinkers."
- 3) Page-9- Third Paragraph: It should read as "When the 400 units are rented, their tenants will be utilizing our public services to include our streets, snow removal, libraries, parks, fire & police and possibly our schools, yet the vast majority of taxes will go right back to the Steel Pointe Special Services District, not the city coffers to offset the costs associated with their use of those public services."
- 4) Pages 11-12- Last Paragraph to First Paragraph: Approval of October 4, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes show that only Amy Vizzo-Paniccia abstained due to her illness. It shows that Tyler Mack, Aikeem Boyd, Michele Small and Wanda Simmons all voted in favor of the October 4, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes although all four

have previously abstained from voting on the previous regular meeting minutes because they were not members of the Council until December 1, 2021. In consultation with Michele Small she is confident that she abstained. Councilmembers Mack, Boyd and Simmons will have to advocate for their position on this specific vote as cannot specifically recall how they voted on this matter. It just didn't make sense when I reviewed the minutes.

- 5) Page 13- Paragraphs 3-8: The motion is the approval of the Nurses Contract, however all 6 paragraphs referenced are our discussion on the Crossing Guard Contract. This needs to be corrected.
- 6) Page 13 Paragraph Three: also asserts I stated "These are the lowest union members in the City and this is the worse(sic) contract she has seen in 12 years. It is not codified that they are not pedophiles, or sex offenders." It should read "These are the lowest compensated union members in the City and this is the worst contact she has seen in her 12 years of public service. The contract does not codify that national background checks must be conducted to ensure pedophiles, sex offenders, etc.; are not hired as crossing guards."
- 7) Page 14 -15 Paragraphs 4-9 on Page 14 & Paragraphs 1-4 on Page 15: The motion is the approval of the Crossing Guard Contract, however all 10 paragraphs are our discussion on the Nurses Contract. This needs to be corrected.
- 8) Page 16 Paragraph 2: The minutes state "This is an opportunity to allow the people of the 132nd District to vote on a vacant seat. It is not an unfilled seat. In order to vacate something, one must first occupy it." My position was the complete opposite. It should read "This is an opportunity to allow the people of the 132nd District to vote on this unfilled seat. It is not a vacant seat as in order to vacate a seat one must first occupy the seat."

### \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER HERRON SECONDED.

Council Member Simmons stated that she was not a member of the Council at that time.

\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2021 MEETING AS AMENDED PASSED WITH FOURTEEN (14) IN FAVOR, (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, SMITH, HERRON, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, VALLE, SMALL, PEREIRA, AND NEWTON); THREE (3) ABSTENTIONS (SIMMONS, BOYD AND MACK) AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (BROWN).

Council Member Small said that her vote on page 9 of the January 18, 2022 was incorrectly recorded. She voted against Agenda Item 23-21.

The following correction was noted for January 18, 2022:

Page 9, please change the vote to read as follows:

### 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 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).

\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 3, 2022 AND THE JANUARY 18, 2022 MEETINGS AS AMENDED PASSED WITH FOURTEEN (14) IN FAVOR, (BURNS, MCCARTHY, CRUZ, BOYD, SMITH, MACK, HERRON, LYONS, MCBRIDE-LEE, ROMAN-CHRISTY, SILVA, CASTILLO, VALLE, SMALL, PEREIRA, SIMMONS AND NEWTON); AND ONE (1) OPPOSED (BROWN).

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

- 29-21 Communication from Tax Collector re: Refund of Excess Payments Montrey LLC Re: 1245 Fairfield Avenue, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 30-21 Communication from Tax Collector re: Refund of Excess Payments Greystone Servicing Co. LLC Re: 215 Barnum Avenue, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 31-21 Communication from Mayor re: Appointment of Lee Grisby (R) to the Parks Commission, referred to Miscellaneous Matters Committee.
- 32-21 Communication from Housing & Community Development re: Proposed Program Year 48 Annual Action Plan: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG); HOME Investment Partnership and Housing

Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), referred to Special Committee on CDBG Program.

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

33-21 Resolution presented by Council Member(s) Pereira & Small and Co-sponsor Cruz re: Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, amend Chapter 10.32 – The Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cycles, or Mini Cycles, referred to Ordinance Committee.

### \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER NEWTON MOVED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

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

- 29-21 COMMUNICATION FROM TAX COLLECTOR RE: REFUND OF EXCESS PAYMENTS MONTREY LLC RE: 1245 FAIRFIELD AVENUE, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.
- 30-21 COMMUNICATION FROM TAX COLLECTOR RE: REFUND OF EXCESS PAYMENTS GREYSTONE SERVICING CO. LLC RE: 215 BARNUM AVENUE, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.
- 31-21 COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR RE: APPOINTMENT OF LEE GRISBY (R) TO THE PARKS COMMISSION, REFERRED TO MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS COMMITTEE.
- COMMUNICATION HOUSING 32-21 FROM & **COMMUNITY** DEVELOPMENT RE: PROPOSED PROGRAM YEAR 48 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG); HOMELESS **SOLUTIONS EMERGENCY GRANT** (HESG); HOME **INVESTMENT** PARTNERSHIP AND HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA), REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CDBG PROGRAM.

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

33-21 RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER(S) PEREIRA & SMALL AND CO-SPONSOR CRUZ RE: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, AMEND CHAPTER 10.32 – THE OPERATION OR USE OF DIRT BIKES, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES, SNOWMOBILES, MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES, OR MINI CYCLES, REFERRED TO ORDINANCE COMMITTEE.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER CRUZ SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Member Newton thanked those who wished him a happy birthday.

Council Member Herron said that everyone should read the minutes carefully and jot down any errors. Mayor Ganim said that Council Member Pereira had been very good about noting errors in the minutes.

Council Member Burns said that he would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Bridgeport Police Department and Bridgeport Fire Department for providing assistance during a recent unusual incident by Ash Creek.

Council Member Newton said that a gentleman from Public Works and Tony Morano have both passed away. He requested a moment of silence.

Council Member Lyons said that she would like to be added as a co-sponsor for Agenda Item 33-21. She was told this could be done during the Committee meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Telesco Secretarial Services

### CITY OF BRIDGEPORT CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held before the City Council of Bridgeport at a regular meeting to be held on **Tuesday** evening, **February 22, 2022** beginning at **7:00 p.m.**, relative to the following item listed below. The Public Hearing will be conducted by Zoom/Teleconference. The public may dial in to 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

Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Green Village Initiative Inc. for 1469 Reservoir Avenue and 20 Yaremich Drive [28-21]

### Attest:

Lydia N. Martinez City Clerk

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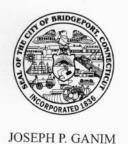
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Public Hearing February 8, 2022 Page 2 of 2

### Ec: City Council Members

Mayor Joseph P. Ganim

- J. Hawkins, CAO
- J. Gomes, Assistant CAO
- D. Shamas, Chief of Staff
- T. Gaudett, Mayor's Aide
- R. Christopher Meyer, City Attorney
- M. Anastasi, Esquire,
- T. Toms, Esquire, Associate City Attorney
- E. Adams, Dir., Government Accountability & Integrity
- T. Gill, Director, OPED
- B. Coleman, Deputy Director, OPED



Mayor

## CITY OF BRIDGEPORT OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604
Telephone 203-576-7271 Fax 203-332-5628

VERONICA JONES
Tax Collector

# COMM. #29-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee on 02/22/2022

DATE:

February 10, 2022

TO:

Committee on Miscellaneous Matters

FROM:

Veronica Jones, Tax Collector

SUBJECT:

Refund of Excess Payments

I hereby request a tax refund for the account detailed on the attached list, in accordance with the provision of Section 12-129 of the General Statues of the State of Connecticut. The Tax Collector, after examination of such applications, recommends to the honorable body in favor of such applicants for the amounts so certified.

Section 12-129: Refund of excess payments. Any person, firm or such corporation who pays any property tax in excess of the principal of such tax as entered in the rate book of the tax collector and covered by his warrant therein, or in excess of the legal interest, penalty or fees pertaining to such tax, or who pays a tax from which the payer is by statute exempt and entitled to an abatement, or who, by reason of a clerical error on the part of the assessor or board of tax review, pays a tax in excess of that which should have been assessed against his property, or who is entitled to a refund because of the issuance of a certificate of correction may make application in writing to the collector of taxes for the refund of such amount. Such application shall be made not later than three years from the date such tax was due and shall contain a recital of the facts and shall state the amount of the refund request.

MONTREY LLC 839 LAUREL AVENUE BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604

REFERENCE:

1245 FAIRFIELD AVE

Refund due

\$12,347.25

2019-01-0000523

1140-28A-----

### **EXPLANATION:**

Bank responsible for full tax bill of \$24,694.50, paid \$12,347.25 July 31,2020 and \$12,347.25 February 01,2021. Taxpayer refinanced and paid in error \$12.347.25 July 31, 2020.

### REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT OR REFUND OF PROPERTY TAXES

Sec. 12-81(20), Sec. 12-124, 12-125, 12-126, 12-127, 12-127a, 12-128, 12-129 Rev. as Amended This is to certify that MONTREY LLC has presented satisfactory proof that he/she is entitled to an exemption on the assessment list of 10/01/2019 Sec. 12-81 (20) Servicemen Having Disability Rating. Sec. 12-124 Abatement to poor. Sec. 12-125 Abatement of Taxes of Corporations. Sec. 12-126 Tangible Personal Property Assessed in more than one Municipality. Sec. 12-127 Abatement or Refund to Blind Persons. Sec. 12-127A Abatement of Taxes on Structures of Historical or Architectural Merit. П Sec. 12-128 Refund of Taxes Erroneously Collected from Veterans and Relatives. Sec. 12-129 Refund of Excess Payments. 2019-01-0000523 MONTREY LLC 1140--28A----839 LAUREL AVE 1245 FAIRFIELD AV BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604 Collector of CITY OF BRIDGEPORT State of Connecticut. To I hereby apply for refund\* of such part of my tax as shall represent: The service exemption or Sec. 12-129 Refund of Excess Payments. (State reason -- Cross out service exemption if it does not apply) \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\* Total Overpaid Tax Fee Interest Lien Tax 24,694.50 0.00 0.00 07/01/2020 24,694.50 0.00 Total Due -12,347.25 \*\*\* 0.00 37,041.75 0.00 0.00 01/29/2021 37,041.75 Total Paid 0.00 12,347.25 0.00 0.00 Adjusted Refund -12,347.25 PLEASE READ, SIGN, AND DATE BELOW: I am entitled to this refund because I made the payments from funds under my control, and no other party will be requesting this refund. I understand that false or deliberately misleading statements subject me to penalties for perjury and/or for obtaining money under false pretenses. 909 Signature of Print Name COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNING BODY To the First Selectman, or It is recommended that refund\* of property taxes and interest in the amount of 12,347.25 be made to the above-named taxpayer in accordance with the provisions of Section (s): Sec. 12-129 Refund of Excess Payments. DATED AT CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT THIS 25 DAY OF January 2022 TAX COLLECTOR ACTION TAKEN BY GOVERNING BODY The First Selectman, as authorized by the Board of Selectman, or \_\_\_\_20\_\_\_. It was voted to refund approved on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ \_ to Property Taxes and Interest amounting to \$ First Selectman Other Governing Body

Mail To :

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT 325 CONGRESS STREET BRIDGEPORT, CT 06604

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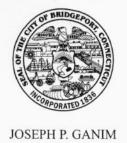
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### CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

45 Lyon Terrace Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604 Telephone 203-576-7271 Fax 203-332-5628

VERONICA JONES
Tax Collector

COMM. #30-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee on 02/22/2022

DATE:

February 11, 2022

TO:

Committee on Miscellaneous Matters

FROM:

Veronica Jones, Tax Collector

SUBJECT:

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GREYSTONE SERVICING CO. LLC C/O SLK GLOBAL SOLUTIONS AMERICA 2727 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 806 DALLAS, TX 75234

REFERENCE:

215 BARNUM AVE

Refund due

\$19,912.27

2020-01-0032369

1647-06A-----

**EXPLANATION:** 

Lakeland Bank paid for full tax bill of \$39,824.54, paid \$19,912.27 July 09,2021 and \$19,912.27 January 21. 2022. BB Barnum Management LLC, financed by Greystone Servicing/SLK Global Solutions America paid in error #19,912.27 January 31, 2022.

### REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT OR REFUND OF PROPERTY TAXES

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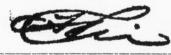
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# GENERAL DATA REAL ESTATE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

AS OF 02/11/2022

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### Martinsky, John

From:

Amanda Mestas < Amanda. Mestas@coforge.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 11, 2022 12:56 PM

To:

Martinsky, John

Subject:

215 Barnum Ave (Parcel R--0144980)

Importance:

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Hello John,

Our client Greystone has requested that the payment received from Lakeland Bank be applied to this property and request that we have a refund issued back to SLK Global in care of Greystone Servicing Company, LLC for the duplicate payment IAO \$19,912.27. Please issue back to the below address as listed.

Make payable to: Greystone Servicing Company, LLC

Mail to: SLK Global Solutions America

2727 LBJ Freeway Suite 806

Dallas, TX 75234 Attention: Refunds

Please also list future bills as "BB Barnum Management LLC in care: Greystone Servicing/SLK Global America" and mail to:
SLK Global Solutions America
2727 LBJ Freeway Suite 806
Dallas, TX 75234

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you and have a wonderful day!

Amanda Mestas Associate Client Manager 469-646-8710 (Direct) 888-777-4850 (Fax) Email: Amanda.Mestas@coforge.com



From: Tax Escrow Administration <TaxEscrowAdministration@Greyco.com>

Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 11:02 AM

To: Amanda Mestas <Amanda.Mestas@coforge.com>; Tax Escrow Administration

<TaxEscrowAdministration@Greyco.com> Subject: RE: 067943 (215 Barnum Ave)

Importance: High

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Good afternoon Amanda,

Please instruct the tax office to return the SLK/Coforge payment and apply the Lakeland Bank payment.

Thank you,

### Asya Rojas

Tax Escrow Administration | Loan Administration Greystone | www.greyco.com 419 Belle Air Lane, Warrenton, VA 20186 TaxEscrowAdministration@greyco.com | 855.464.7391

From: Amanda Mestas < Amanda. Mestas@coforge.com>

Sent: Friday, February 11, 2022 11:00 AM

To: Tax Escrow Administration < TaxEscrowAdministration@Greyco.com >

Subject: 067943 (215 Barnum Ave)

Good morning,

I have received a call from John (203-332-3025) with the Bridgeport City, CT tax office regarding a duplicate payment received IAO \$19,912.27 on this property. Per John, the agency has received the payment from SLK/Coforge on this property and also a payment from Lakeland Bank. Can you confirm if your payment should be applied and that I instruct the tax office to return the duplicate payment back to Lakeland Bank?

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you and have a wonderful day!

Amanda Mestas Associate Client Manager 469-646-8710 (Direct) 888-777-4850 (Fax) Email: Amanda.Mestas@coforge.com



# JOSEPH P. GANIM Mayor

### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

### CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

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Comm. #31-21 Ref'd to Miscellaneous Matters Committee on 02/22/2022

TO:

Lydia N. Martinez

FROM:

Mayor Joseph P. Ganing

DATE:

February 14, 2022

RE:

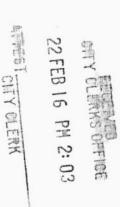
Boards & Commissions

Please place the following name on the February 22, 2022 City Council Agenda for referral to the Miscellaneous Matters Committee for the purpose of appointment to the **Parks Commission**:

Lee Grisby (R) 142 Red Oak Rd Bridgeport, CT 06606

This term shall expire on 12/31/2025

JPG/cv





### City of Bridgeport, Connecticut

## OFFICE OF PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

999 Broad Street
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604
Telephone (203) 576-7221 • Fax (203)332-5611

THOMAS GILL Director

Mayor

COMM. #32-21 Ref'd to Special Committee on CDBG on 02/22/2022

TO:

Honorable Members of the Bridgeport City Council

FROM:

Anjerice Miller

Senior HCD Manager

RE:

Program 48 Annual Action Plan

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG);

HOME Investment Partnership; and

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

DATE:

February 15,2021 - For Referral to Special Committee on Community

Development Block Grant (CDBG)

For the upcoming fiscal year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") requires the City of Bridgeport to prepare and submit an Annual Action Plan for Program Year 48 which covers the period from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. HUD requires municipalities such as Bridgeport to prepare an Annual Action Plan for the City to apply for and receive funds under the following four (4) formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). The city has not received official notification from HUD of its annual allocation. At HUD's direction and to meet certain deadlines related to citizen participation; the City Council authorizes the Office of Housing and Community Development to use its 2021-2022 (PY47) allocation as a base, to process requests for funding. Once the city receives its official allocation, the Office of Housing and Community Development is authorized to make even adjustments to all awards as dictated by the official allocation awarded to the city.

The PY48 Allocation is listed below:

Community Development Block Grant Program \$3,471,698.00
Homeless Emergency Solution Grant \$291,358.00
HOME \$1,288,848.00
HOPWA \$975,223.00

The City advertised the anticipated availability of funding in December 2021. Applications became available on January 07, 2022. **Applications were accepted online only.** 

The following technical assistance sessions were held:

### **CDBG**

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

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 10:00am - 11:30am Meeting ID: 852 7334 8247

Passcode: 359957

Thursday, January 13, 2022 1:00pm – 2:30pm Meeting ID: 885 8694 1923

Passcode: 838458

### HOPWA/ESG

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

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 1:00pm – 2:30pm Meeting ID: 844 4236 5578

Passcode: 707578

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 10:00am - 11:30am Meeting ID: 891 3980 7038

Passcode: 653845

### Program applications were due February 11, 2022.

The Citizen's Union and the Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) are scheduled to host public hearings on March 15th and March 16th, 2022 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. The Citizen's Union is scheduled to deliberated and make recommendations on March 22, 2022. The Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was appointed by Council President Nieves on Tuesday, February 22, 2022. The Special Committee will deliberate and prepare final recommendation for City Council consideration on March 23, 2022. The staff of the Office of Housing and Community Development will be available at all meetings and hearings to answer questions and to provide additional information and support.

Thank you for your consideration,

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

#### PROGRAM YEAR 48 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

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

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

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport will develop a *Program Year 48 ("PY 48") Annual Action Plan* and anticipates the following allocation of federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for FY 2022-2023; and

WHEREAS, the city has not received official notification from HUD of its annual allocation. At HUD's direction and to meet certain deadlines related to citizen participation, the City Council authorizes the Office of Housing and Community Development to use its 2021-2022 (PY47) allocation as a base to process requests for funding. Once the city receives its official allocation, the Office of Housing and Community Development is authorized to make even adjustments to all awards as dictated by the official allocation awarded to the City. The PY48 allocation is listed below:

Community Development Block Grant Program	\$ 3,471,698.00
Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant Program	\$ 291,358.00
HOME	\$ 1,288,848.00
HOPWA	\$ 975,223.00

WHEREAS, two joint public hearings are scheduled to be held, by the Citizen's Union and the Special Committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of the City Council on March 15th and 16th, 2022. The Citizen's Union will deliberate and vote on March 22, 2022. The Special Committee on CDBG will deliberate and vote on March 23, 2022. The Special Committee recommendations will be posted for a 15-day public comment period on March 25, 2022 prior to being submitted for a full council consideration. That public comment period will end on April 11, 2022, at noon. The final Annual Action Plan and Resolution is expected to be presented to the full City Council on April 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Bridgeport City Council will vote to accept the PY48 Annual Action Plan, when submitted, as part of the City's Five Year 2020-2024 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan in order for the City to apply for, and receive funds under the following four formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Program; the Homeless Emergency Solutions Grant ("HESG") Program; HOME Investment Partnerships ("HOME") Program; and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Program; and

Now, therefore be it

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

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	37	The Boys Club & Girls Club of Bridgeport, Inc Project Positive Horizons	\$113,107.00			

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	Agency Name	PY 48 Request	PY48 Citizen's Union Recommendation	PY48 City Council Approval	
39	The Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport- Prepared Meals, Jobs and Access	\$80,425.00			
41	Bridgeport Pop Warner Football League- Chairman Bridgeport Pop Warner	\$100,000.00			
42	Greater Bridgeport Symphony Society, Inc GBS High School Concert Program	\$10,000.00			
43	Hall Neighborhood House- HNH Recreation Rehab for Youth	\$44,070.00			
46	NOURISH BRIDGEPORT INC Bridgeport Farmers Market Collaborative	\$50,000.00			
48	Full Circle Youth Empowerment Center- Journey To Greatness Summer Enrichment Program	\$24,300.00			
49	Green Village Initiative- Deepening School Garden Support and Student Learning	\$27,500.00			
51	Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust, Inc., Keep Your Home Foreclosure Prevention Program	\$65,000.00			
52	ACCESS Educational Services, Inc -Access Eductional Services, Inc	\$25,000.00			
54	East End NRZ Market & Café Inc- East End NRZ Community Greens Initiative	\$46,272.00			
55	United way or Coastal rainlets begins to refer the species of the rainlets hestident. Leadership Development Expansion	\$62,400.00			
26	The Color a Positive Thought Organization- Color a Positive Thought	\$25,000.00			
58	Bernard Buddy Jordan Foundation- Bernard Buddy Jordan Foundation	\$25,000.00			
09	The Village Initiative Project, Inc V.I.P. College Tours	\$35,502.50			
62	F.A.A.E.N. 1.3 Interporated - Providing Accessible Resources Empowering Never - Ending Leen Success - Youth In Arts Enterprenuership Training Program	\$100,000.00			
63	th tegacy corporations it takes a village sexpansion project sinengible multiple applications in	\$30,000.00			
64	Bridgeport Youth Lacrosse Inc Career Pathway Work Readiness Program	\$61,150.00			
	Public Service Total Requests	\$2,147,484.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	Total Public Service Funds are capped at 15% of total CDBG allocation	\$522,271.65			
	CDBG - Public Facilities				
11	<b>Bridgeport Downtown Special Services District</b> - Downtown Bridgeport Colorful Crew Open Space Beautification	\$23,000.00			
15	COB Dept. of Public Facilities - MCC-Neighborhood Improvement Project	\$40,000.00			
18	LifeBridge Community Services, Inc Security Fence for Youth Program	\$52,455.00			
20	order boys and dins club- bridgeport Community Sardens-mengine agency and backup up	\$30,000.00			

Alliance for Community Empowerment- New Elevator Request Finance for Community Empowerment - Safety Covid-1.9 adjustments to caseworker office Space Recovery Network of Programs, Inc Window Replacement at Prospect House Shelter	\$200,600.00 \$100,000.00 \$45,000.00 \$58,000.00	Kecommendation	Approval
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St. Mark's Daycare Center- St. Mark's Daycare Center City of Bridgeport- Beautify Bridgeport	\$130,000.00		
Universal Community Resources Inc- Universal Community Resources Inc	\$1,000.000.00		
Public Facilities Total Requests	\$1,018,885.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Public Facilities Funds Awarded			
Columbus Commons Condominium- Siding Replacement Project	\$265,000.00		
Baldwin Holdings Inc 88 Smith St.	\$57,997.50		
Third Stone Ridge Cooperative, Inc Boiler Replacement Project	\$130,000.00		
Third Stone Ridge Cooperative, Inc Fence Replacement	\$85,000.00		
Bridgeport Lead Hazard Control -Bridgeport Lead Hazard Control	\$25,000.00		
Townhouse Commons- Townhouse Commons 47-55 Wessels Ave Bridgeport, Ct, 06610	\$400,000.00		
Holistic Recovery Solutions LLC- Lindsey's House -ineligible multiple applications in one City of Bridgebort: OPED/HCD Housing Delivery Cost	\$460,000.00		
City of Bridgeport: OPED/HCD Homeowner Rehab	\$150,000.00		
Housing Total Requests	\$1,747,997.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
Housing Funds Awarded			
CDBG - Economic Development			
LR Legacy Corporation- It takes a village- systems project ineligible under category	\$50,000.00		
Economic Development Total Requests	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	00.05

Agency Name	PY 48 Request	Recommendation	Approval
Total Economic Development Funds Awarded			
Total Public Facilities/Housing/Econ. Development Requested	\$2,816,882.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Public Facilities/Housing/Econ. Development Available for Allocation	\$2,263,177.15		
**Total Reprogramming Amount Available for PF/Housing (estimate)			
Section 108 - pending final payment acknowledgement			
CDBG - Planning/Administration		\$696,362.20	\$696,362.20
Administration	\$696,362.20		\$696,362.20
Total Admin Funds Awarded			\$2,785,448.80
Total CDBG Funding Awarded			\$ 696,362.20
Total CDBG ADMIN			
To Be Awarded			\$3,481,811.00
Total CDBG Allocation			
HESG - Emergency Solutions Grant			
Street Outreach			\$0.00
		\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Street Outreach Awarded			
Emergency Shelter			
Central Connecticut Coast YMCA- Alpha Community Services YMCA-Families in Transistion	\$70,000.00		
			\$0.00
Total Emergency Shelter Awarded	\$70,000.00		
HMIS			
CT Coalition	\$25,000.00		
		\$0.00	\$0.00
Total HMIS Awarded	\$25,000.00		
Homeless Prevention			
Alliance for Community Empowerment - Emergency Utility Assistance	\$50,000.00		
New Reach, Inc Stable families Program	\$35,000.00		
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Agency Name	PY 48 Request	PY48 Citizen's Union Recommendation	PY48 City Council Approval	
The Housing Collective(formerly SHW) - Bridgeport Homeless Prevention Fund (B-HPF)	\$40,000.00			
		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Homeless Prevention Awarded	\$225,000.00			
Rapid Rehousing				
The Housing Collective(formerly SHW) - Bridgeport Rapid Re-Housing Program	\$65,000.00			
		\$0.00	\$0.00	
	\$65,000.00			
Total HP/RR Requests Received	\$0.00			
HP/RR Available (35% of total after admin)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total HESG Awarded	\$0.00			
Administrative (7.5% a of allocation)	\$21,851.85		\$ 291,358.00	
Total HESG Funding Allocation				
HOPWA - Housing Opportunities for People With HIV/AIDS				
Chemical Abuse Services Agency, Inc CASA/Noble House/TBRA	\$241,139.00			
Catholic Charities of Fairfield County - HOPWA	\$198,000.00			
Mid Fairfield AIDS Project, Inc SL	\$194,140.00			
Inspirica, Inc Mckinney House	\$150,000.00			
Apex Community Care, Inc Apex Community Care Housing Program	\$197,000.00			
Recovery Network of Programs, Inc Prospect House Scattered Site Housing (PHSS)	\$150,976.00		\$ 29,256.69	
Total HOPWA Awarded			\$975,223.00	
Administrative (3% a of allocation)	\$29,256.69			
Total HOPWA Funding Allocation			\$128,884.80	
HOME Program			\$1,159,963.20	
Administration (10% of allocation)	\$128,884.80		\$1,288,848.00	
Total Available for Affordable Housing Development				
HOME Program Funding Allocation				
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PY 48 Funding Requests and Allocations CDBG, HESG, HOPWA and HOME

Agency Name	PY 48 Request	PY48 Citizen's Union Recommendation	PY48 City Council Approval	
TOTAL CDBG ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION	\$3,481,811.00			4
Planning and Administrative	\$696,362.20			
Public Service	\$522,271.65			
Section 108	\$0.00			
Total CDBG for Public Facilities/Housing/Econ. Dev	\$2,263,177.15			
TOTAL HESG ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION	\$291,358.00			
Administrative	\$21,851.85			
Total HESG to be awarded	\$269,506.15			
TOTAL HOPWA ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION	\$975,223.00			
Administrative	\$29,256.69			
Total HOPWA to be awarded	\$945,966.31			
TOTAL HOME ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION	\$1,288,848.00			
Administrative	\$128,884.80			
Total HOME to be awarded	\$1,159,963.20			

SECTION I	CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION	INFORMATION	
Log ID/Item Number:	33-21	700	
Submitted by Councilmember(s):	Maria H. Pereira Michele Small	198	<b>□</b> 22
Co-Sponsors(s):	Jorge Cruz, Sr. 131ST	= -	EB Y
District:	138TH	~	5 700
Subject:	Proposed Amendment to Chapter 10.32 Th Vehicles. Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cyc	ne Operation or Use of cles, or Mini-Cycles	
Referred to:	Ordinance Committee	X	F. 7
City Council Date:	February 22, 2022		76E
SECTION II RI	SOLUTION (PLEASE TYPE BELO	W)	

WHEREAS, ATV's, dirt bikes, snow mobiles, motor-driven cycle and mini-cycles are not allowed to be operated on residential streets and are required to be transported to a park or private property which allows the operation of recreational and all-terrain vehicles utilizing an appropriate trailer or hitch; and

WHEREAS, neither state or local police are allowed to engage in a pursuit of those operating motorized all-terrain vehicles within the city of Bridgeport per CT state law, and those wilfully violating these laws are well-aware of these constraints on law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, over the last several years, the illegal operation of all-terrain vehicles within the city limits has reduced the quality of life of its residents due to the significant noise levels these vehicles omit, disturbing residents simply trying to enjoy the peace and tranquillity within their own homes and the ability to sleep restfully; and

**WHEREAS**, all-terrain vehicle operators frequently travel in large packs while driving aggressively, including doing popper-wheelies and weaving in and out of traffic in densely populated residential streets, terrifying residents and placing children, pedestrians, and motor vehicle operators at great risk for injury; and

WHEREAS, during the January 4, 2022, Regular Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting, Acting Chief Rebeca Garcia was asked for her perspective regarding the introduction of an ordinance which would prohibit gas stations from allowing the gas tanks of all-terrain/recreational vehicles to be filled unless they were properly secured to a hitch or trailer. Garcia stated she believed that gas stations should be held accountable when they sell gas for ATVs and thought it was a "great idea"; and

WHEREAS, when asked, Acting Chief Rebeca Garcia also stated enforcement of the proposed ordinance should be under the purview of the Bridgeport Police Department; and

WHEREAS, per CT state statute Chapter 229a, Sec. 12-813, all lottery ticket sales agents, including gas station owners, are required to adhere to all applicable laws governing the sale of lottery tickets including that they may only be sold to those 18 and older; and

WHEREAS, per CT state statute 53-344, 12-295(a), all vendors that sell cigarettes, including gas stations, are required to adhere to all applicable laws governing the sale of cigarettes including that they may only be sold to those 21 and older; and

WHEREAS, business owners have a legal and moral obligation to sell products within the requirements of any federal, state or local law and must be held accountable when profit reigns supreme over the safety and welfare of their own customers in the very communities where their businesses are located; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Bridgeport City Council that Chapter 10.32 The Operation Or Use Of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cycles, or Mini-Cycles should be revised to ensure gas station owners be required to prohibit anyone from filling the gas tank of any motorized recreational and all-terrain vehicle not properly secured to a hitch or trailer, progressive fines be imposed on gas station owners/operators that fail to abide by the ordinance and that the Bridgeport Police Department have the authority to enforce the ordinance

### Chapter 10.32 THE OPERATION OR USE OF DIRT BIKES, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES, SNOWMOBILES, MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES, OR MINI-CYCLES

#### 10.32.010 Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meanings attributed to them in this section:

- "Dirt bike" means a two-wheeled motorized recreational vehicle designed to travel over unimproved terrain and not designed for travel on a highway, as defined in Section 14-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes. "Dirt bike" does not include an all-terrain vehicle, as defined in Section 14-379 of the General Statutes, or a motor-driven cycle, as defined in Section 14-1 of the General Statutes.
- 2. "Snowmobile" means any self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice, except vehicles propelled by sail.
- 3. "All-terrain vehicle" means a self-propelled vehicle designed to travel over unimproved terrain that has been determined by the commissioner of motor vehicles to be unsuitable for operation on the public highways and is not eligible for registration under Chapter 246 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- 4. "Operate" means (1) to control the course of or otherwise use a dirt bike, snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, motor-driven cycle, mini-cycle, or similar vehicle; or (2) being in possession of a dirt bike, snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, motor-driven vehicle, mini-cycle or similar vehicle on any street or sidewalk in the city of Bridgeport or on any public property, including but not limited to school property, playgrounds and parks, within the city of Bridgeport, or on any private property, within the city of Bridgeport, without first obtaining the written permission of the property owner if the property is not owned by the operator, passenger, and/or owner of the motorized recreational vehicle, if such dirt bike, snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, motor-driven vehicle, mini-cycle or similar vehicle is capable of being set in motion by the motive power of the vehicle.

- 5. "Motor-driven cycle" means any motorcycle, motor scooter, or bicycle with an attached motor, with a seat height of not less than twenty-six (26) inches, and a motor having a capacity of less than fifty (50) cubic centimeters piston displacement.
- 6. "Mini cycle" means pocketbikes, miniature (hereafter "mini") bikes, mini cycles, mini sport bikes, mini motorcycles, chopper scooters, and any other similar wheeled vehicle designed to transport one or more persons that is powered by any type of motor.
- 7. "Shared Mobility Device" means a traditional bicycle, electric/pedal-assist bicycle, or electric scooter that is part of a dockless shared mobility rental system ("Shared Mobility System") operating with a valid City-approved application, for purpose of this Chapter, a Shared Mobility Device is not a motorized recreational vehicle.
- 8. The terms "dirt bike," "snowmobile," "all-terrain vehicle," "motor-driven cycle," and "mini-cycle" shall not be deemed to include any of the following:
  - a. Any registered "motorcycle" as defined in the C.G.S. § 14-1(46); any registered "motor vehicle" as defined in C.G.S. § 14-1(47);
  - Any moped that meets Federal Department of Transportation guidelines for use on streets and is approved by the state of Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles for use on streets, provided, however, the moped is operated pursuant to all applicable state laws, rules, and regulations and all other city of Bridgeport ordinances;
  - c. Any wheelchair or similar mobility assisting device utilized by a person with a physical disability or whose ambulatory mobility has been impaired due to age or physical ailment;
  - d. Any self-propelled snow plow, snow blower or lawn mower when used for the purpose for which it was designed and operated at a speed not to exceed four miles per hour;
  - e. Any vehicle owned or leased by the city of Bridgeport;
  - f. Any vehicle that is used solely for amusement, or as a novelty display item, and is operated during a parade or any other special event that is properly permitted and approved by the city of Bridgeport shall be excluded from this article;
  - g. Any electric personal assistive mobility device (hereinafter "EPAMD") that is self-balancing, has two non-tandem wheeled devices, is designed to transport only one person, and has an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to twelve and one-half miles per hour or less; and
  - Any Shared Mobility Device.

For the purposes of Sections 10.32.020 and 10.32.030 of this ordinance, the terms "dirt bike," "snowmobile," "all-terrain vehicle," "motor-driven cycle," and "mini cycle" as defined in this section, shall be collectively referred to as "motorized recreational vehicle(s);" a Shared Mobility Device is not a "motorized recreational vehicle."

(Ord. dated 12/7/20, Exh. A; Ord. dated 9/16/19; Ord. dated 5/18/15)

#### 10.32.020 Operations prohibited.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motorized recreational vehicle and/or for any owner of a motorized recreational vehicle to knowingly permit the operation of his or her motorized recreational vehicle on any street or sidewalk in the city of Bridgeport or on any public property, including but not limited to school property, playgrounds and parks, within the city of Bridgeport.

- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride as a passenger on a motorized recreational vehicle and/or for any owner of a motorized recreational vehicle to knowingly permit any person to ride as a passenger on his/her motorized recreational vehicle operated in violation of subsection A. above.
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motorized recreational vehicle, ride as a passenger on a motorized recreational vehicle, and/or for any owner of a motorized recreational vehicle to knowingly permit its operation on any private property, within the city of Bridgeport, without first obtaining the written permission of the property owner if the property is not owned by the operator, passenger, and/or owner of the motorized recreational vehicle.
  - 1. It shall be unlawful to operate a motorized recreational vehicle, to ride as a passenger on a motorized recreational vehicle, and/or for any owner of a motorized recreational vehicle to knowingly permit its operation on private property before 8:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m. on weekdays, or before 9:00 a.m. or after 8:00 p.m. on weekends.
- D. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate an EPAMD and/or for any owner of an EPAMD to knowingly permit the operation of his/her EPAMD on any street in the city of Bridgeport, provided, however, an EPAMD may be operated on any public sidewalk and/or crosswalk in the city of Bridgeport. An operator of an EPAMD shall yield to pedestrians and any wheelchair or similar mobility-assisting device as defined within this ordinance and shall comply with any applicable state of Connecticut laws or regulations.
- E. It shall be unlawful for any gas station owner(s) to allow the gas tank of a motorized recreational or allterrain vehicle to be filled if operated in violation of subsection A. All motorized recreational and allterrain vehicles must be securely mounted on a hitch or trailer in order for a gas station owner(s) to allow the gas tank to be filled.

(Ord. dated 12/7/20, Exh. A; Ord. dated 5/18/15)

#### 10.32.030 Penalties.

- A. Any person who operates a motorized recreational vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020A. of this ordinance, or is the owner of a motorized recreational vehicle who knowingly permits its operation in violation of Section 10.32.020A. of this ordinance, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), but not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any third or subsequent offense.
- B. Any person who rides as a passenger on a motorized recreational vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020B. of this ordinance, or is the owner of a motorized recreational vehicle who knowingly permits a passenger to ride on his/her recreational motor vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020B. of this ordinance, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), but not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any third or subsequent offense.
- C. Any person who operates a motorized recreational vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020C. of this ordinance, rides as a passenger on a recreational motor vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020C. of this ordinance, or is the owner of a motorized recreational vehicle who knowingly permits its operation in violation of Section 10.32.020C. of this ordinance may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), but not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for

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- a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any third or subsequent offense.
- D. Any person who operates a motorized recreational vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020C.1. of this ordinance, rides as a passenger on a recreational motor vehicle in violation of Section 10.32.020C.1. of this ordinance or is the owner of a recreational motorized vehicle who knowingly permits its operation in violation of Section 10.32.020C.1. of this ordinance may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), but not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any third or subsequent offense.
- E. Any person who operates an EPAMD in violation of Section 10.32.020D. of this ordinance, or is the owner of an EPAMD who knowingly permits its operation in violation of Section 10.32.020D. of this ordinance, may be fined a sum not to exceed one-hundred dollars (\$100.00), but not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00), but not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00), but not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for any third or subsequent offense.
- F. A police officer who observes any person in violation of any subsection of Section 10.32.020 of this ordinance may detain such person for purposes of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance and may remove or tow the motorized recreational vehicle in question into the custody of the Bridgeport police department, at the owner's expense, pending a disposition of such property by court order or otherwise by law and proof of ownership of such property (i.e., bill of sale). Before the owner or person in charge of any impounded motorized recreational vehicle shall be permitted to remove the vehicle from a vehicle pound, he shall furnish to the operator of such pound, or such other person as the chief of police shall designate, evidence of his registration and ownership, shall sign a receipt for such vehicle, and shall pay the cost of impoundment and administration, plus the cost of storage for each day or portion of a day that such vehicle is stored in the vehicle pound in excess of the first twenty-four (24) hours. The operator of such pound shall refuse the release of any motorized recreational vehicle lawfully seized that the chief of police has authorized to hold as evidence in a criminal investigation or proceeding. Such operator shall obtain written permission from the chief of police on any form or document prescribed by the chief of police prior to the release of such impounded motorized recreational vehicle.
- G. A police officer who observes any gas station owner(s) and/or their employees allowing a motorized recreational or all-terrain vehicle's gas tank to be filled in violation of subsection 10.32.030 (E) of this ordinance may fine the gas station (owners) a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), but not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a first offense, may be fined a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for a second offense, or may be fined a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), but not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any third or subsequent offense.

(Ord. dated 12/7/20, Exh. A; Ord. dated 5/18/15)



### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK RESOLUTION FORM

#### 10.32.040 Posting by motorized recreational vehicle dealer.

Each motorized recreational vehicle dealer offering for sale, lease or rental any motorized recreational vehicle shall post this ordinance in a prominent location at said dealer's place of business.

Any motorized recreational vehicle dealer who violates any provision of this section shall have committed an infraction. For a first violation, the chief of police or his authorized agent shall issue a written warning providing notice of the specific violation and the time period within which it shall be corrected. If the motorized recreational vehicle dealer receiving the written warning fails to correct the violation within the time period specified in the warning, the chief of police or his authorized agent shall issue a fine of ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00). Any continuing violation that is discovered during any subsequent re-inspection shall result in a fine of ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00). Each re-inspection at which a violation is discovered shall constitute a separate violation.

(Ord. dated 12/7/20, Exh. A; Ord. dated 5/18/15)

#### 10.32.050 Posting by gas station owner(s)

Each gas station shall post Section 10.32.020 (E) and 10.32.030 (G) in a prominent location at said gas station's place of business.

Any gas station owner(s) that violates any provision of this section shall have committed an infraction. For a first violation, the chief of police or his authorized agent shall issue a written warning providing notice of the specific violation and the time period within which it shall be corrected. If the gas station owner(s) receiving the written warning fails to correct the violation within the time period specified in the warning, the chief of police or his authorized agent shall issue a fine of ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00). Any continuing violation that is discovered during any subsequent re-inspection shall result in a fine of ninety-nine dollars (\$99.00). Each re-inspection at which a violation is discovered shall constitute a separate violation



### OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK RESOLUTION FORM

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Acting Chief Garcia said that ShotSpotter has been a critical tool because they have been able to determine when shots were fired. It allows the Department to determine peak times for the shots and appropriately staff the Department and respond. In 2020, there were 24 homicides, and 20 in 2021. There have been incidents when the officers were able to interrupt acts of violence and apprehend suspects. Both New Haven and Hartford will be expanding their ShotSpotter coverage areas.

Council Member Lyons asked about the North End Location, which Acting Chief Garcia described.

Council Member Newton said that he felt that the Council should definitely look to expand their coverage area for the program like New Haven was going to do.

Council Member Pereira asked if they were going to receive statistics by District. Council Member Lyons said that the statistics that were sent out may not have been broken down according to District. Acting Chief Garcia said that they have a graph they could send to the Council Members.

Council Member Pereira said that there were numerous citizens who were having catalytic converters stolen from their cars. Acting Chief Garcia said that they were able to focus on stolen cars and stolen catalytic converters. A group of surrounding towns have banded together to deal with these thefts. There was a ring of thieves which have been broken up.

Council Member Pereira said that there was a group of ATVs and dirt bikes that have been riding around and terrifying residents. She asked if individuals should be driving ATVs in the City and suggested that the gas stations be held responsible for selling gas to ATV owners who do not have the vehicles on a trailer.

Acting Chief Garcia said that it was a great idea and this has been discussed with the surrounding towns as well. She said that she believes that the gas stations should be held accountable when they sell gas to an ATV. There are officers who have been assigned to these details. When the bikes were confiscated, the courts ordered them to be released back to the owners.

Council Member Pereira asked about the enforcement for this. Acting Chief Garcia said that the enforcement would be handled through the Police Department.

Council Member Lyons said that she had heard about the gas stations being held accountable in the past.

Council Member Cruz thanked the Acting Chief for the information. He said that the City was not providing the Department with the tools that they need to do their job. Only having 5.5 miles covered in the City is not enough. It is important to work together to help the Police Department to expand with the tools they need.

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#### Boyer, Mike

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Sent:

Monday, February 14, 2022 8:29 PM

To:

Boyer, Mike

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Ernie Newton; Ortiz, Frances; Pettway, Lonnette

Subject:

Re: Resolution Regarding Chapter 10.32 The Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain

Vehicles, Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cycles or Mini-Cycles

Attachments:

Resolution Recreational & All Terrain Vehicles.docx; Minutes Public Saftety Mtg. Jan. 4.

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Mike please sign me up as cosponsor. Thank you

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On Feb 14, 2022, at 3:47 PM, Boyer, Mike < Mike. Boyer@bridgeportct.gov > wrote:

Councilwoman Pereira and Councilwoman Small are looking for cosponsors. Note the attachment. Let us know by Wednesday agenda closing time.

From: Maria Pereira <mpereira0667@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 1:14 PM

**To:** Boyer, Mike <Mike.Boyer@Bridgeportct.gov> **Cc:** Small, Michele <Michele.Small@Bridgeportct.gov>

Subject: Resolution Regarding Chapter 10.32 The Operation or Use of Dirt Bikes, All-Terrain Vehicles,

Snowmobiles, Motor-Driven Cycles or Mini-Cycles

Good afternoon Mr. Boyer,

Please distribute the attached resolution to be referred to the Ordinance Committee to ask if anyone would like to sign on as co-sponsors. Please make sure Page 5 of the Public Safety and Transportation Committee Minutes held on January 4, 2022 is included as an attachment to the resolution so that council members can easily refer to it.

Thank you,

Maria Pereira