



REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023
7:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting

MUNICIPAL BUILDING
COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBER
245 DeKoven Drive
-and-

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Council Clerk Reads the *Call of the Meeting* and Mayor declares call a legal call and meeting a legal meeting
2. **Accept/Amend the Agenda**
3. **Presentation: Middletown Unified Theater**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Common Council Special Meeting – Questions to Directors, at 6:00 PM, dated December 5, 2022
 - B. Common Council Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM, dated December 5, 2022
5. **Public Hearing on Appropriation and Bond Ordinance - Opens**
 - A. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read legal notice for proposed appropriation and bond ordinance request and the Certificate of Director of Finance.

- B. An Ordinance appropriating \$750,000 for the planning, design, demolition, acquisition, and construction of the replacement Red Road sanitary sewer pump station, and authorizing the issue of \$750,000 bond of the City to meet said appropriation and, pending the issuance thereof, the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose. *(NOTE: This is the 1st of the two (2) required public hearings. The 2nd public hearing and vote will be included on the agenda for the Common Council Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, February 6, 2023 @ 7PM.)*

6. Public Hearing on Appropriation and Bond Ordinance - Closes

7. Public Hearing on All Other Agenda Items - Opens

8. Public Hearing on All Other Agenda Items - Closes

9. Old Business

- A. RESOLUTION: Approving that Mayor Benjamin D. Florsheim be authorized to sign and submit an application to the State of Connecticut for a grant in the amount of \$80,000.00 in Local Capital Projects Improvement Program funds, for the cost to renovate the Middletown Police Department Community Rooms while also increasing the functionality of the space via an extensive redesign to meet the department and City's growing needs; and that a new line item be created in the Capital Improvement Plan entitled "MPD Community Rooms Renovation" in the amount of \$80,000.00. *(Resolution No. 155-22; Tabled December 5, 2022; LoCIP grant pending – See, Item 11E (below).)*

- B. Common Council calendar – 2023 *(possible amendment)*

10. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read appropriation and bond ordinance requests and the Certificate of Director of Finance (NONE)

11. Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approval

- A. City Clerk's Certificate
- B. Monthly Reports -- Finance Department: Transfer Report to December 21, 2022
- C. Board of Education – Acct. No. 2450-33000-59405-x-03025; miscellaneous grants: \$1,312,793.18
- D. Board of Education -- Acct. No. 2459-33000-52183-x-x; cafeteria/food services: \$81,675.73
- E. Finance – Acct. No. 3560-00000-57030-0000-00000-0000-000; State grant funds to be used for Local Capital Improvement projects (LoCIP) per grant guidelines. City must apply, and receive approval, for projects in advance: \$317,942
- F. Public Works/ Clean Energy Task Force – Acct. No. 3632-22000-59200-x-x-2018; State Sustainable CT matching grant to provide energy related programming in the City, helping residents address health and safety barrier in their homes to facilitate energy efficiency and improve access to lower cost renewable energy: \$15,034
- G. Mayor's Office/ Superintendent of Schools – Acct. No. 3730-33000-59200-0000-03080-2023-000; State school readiness quality enhancement grant (FY 2022-2023): \$32,262
- H. Board of Education, Business Office: backup information for Common Council conditional approval of Grant Request on December 5, 2022
- I. Russell Library Director's Report, dated December 20, 2022

12. Mayor's Report to the Common Council

- A. American Rescue Plan
- B. Riverfront

13. Payment of all City bills when properly approved**14. Resolutions, Ordinances, etc.**

- A. Approving that the job description of Chief Building Official, Grade 15 (\$37.86 - \$56.07), UPSEU, Local 6457, be revised to the corresponding job description, and is hereby approved into the Maximus Classification Plan. The revisions to this job description for this position shall be effective upon adoption.
- B. Approving that the job description of Assistant Chief Building Official, Grade 10 (\$27.16 - \$40.19), AFSCME, Local 466, be revised to the corresponding updated job description, and is hereby approved into the Maximus Classification Plan. The revisions to this job description for this position shall be effective upon adoption.
- C. Approving that jurisdiction of the Farm Hill building committee is expanded to address all HVAC needs at Farm Hill Elementary.
- D. Approving the American Rescue Plan Act Task Force's recommendation for the following project in the following amount based on the application submitted to the Task Force:
 - 80 Harbor Drive
 - Applicant: City of Middletown – Economic and Community Development
 - Description: Completing the renovation and repair of 80 Harbor Drive.
 - Amount: \$2,000,000.00and, that the Mayor is authorized to prepare and execute any documents necessary to effectuate this American Rescue Plan Act grant funding, subject to approval as to content and form by the Office of the General Counsel.
- E. ORDINANCE: Approving an amendment to Chapter 253 ("Solid Waste") of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Middletown*, amending Article I ("Regulation of Solid Waste Disposal Areas"), Sections 253-2 to 253-1818, addressing registration, licenses, disposal, definitions, recyclable materials and refuse/garbage tipping fees
- F. ORDINANCE: Approving an amendment to Chapter 14 ("Boards, Committees, and Commissions") of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Middletown*, adding Article XXIV ("Russell Library/City Hall Feasibility Study Committee"), Sections 14-73 to 14-75.

15. Mayor's Appointments**16. Adjournment**