



**REGULAR COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021
7:00 PM**

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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. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of March 1, 2021**
- 4. Approval of Minutes: Workshop: NRG Powerplant, Special Meeting of February 11, 2021**
- 5. Public Hearing on Agenda Items -- Opens**
- 6. Public Hearing on Agenda Items -- Closes**
- 7. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read appropriation requests and the Certificate of Director of Finance**
 - A. Common Council: \$15,000 -- Acct No. 1000-12000-5515, appropriation of funds from General Fund to pay consultant to advise Charter Revision Commission and Common Council with revision of the City Charter.

- 8. **Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approval**
 - A. City Clerk’s Certificate
 - B. Monthly Reports -- Finance Department: Transfer Report to March 19, 2021
 - C. Grant Confirmation: Health Department – reducing original grant confirmation, which was approved by the Common Council on March 1, 2021, to appropriate fund amount of \$3,220: (\$14,700)
 - D. Grant Confirmation: Board of Education – grant reduction (\$243,192.30)
 - E. Grant Confirmation: Board of Education – miscellaneous grants: \$592,214.45
 - F. Grant Confirmation: Board of Education -- cafeteria & food services: \$53,657.78
 - G. Office of Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management: Employment Activity Report – 2nd Quarter
- 9. **Arrigoni Bridge Project Update: Mayor Florsheim**
- 10. **Covid-19 & Vaccination Update: Health Department, Acting Director Kevin Elak**
- 11. **Payment of all City bills when properly approved**
- 12. **Resolutions, Ordinances, etc.**
 - A. Approving that \$14,910 of the Art Support Services Grant (FY 20/21) be allocated as follows for general operating and/or project support: Tre Davis \$3,000.00; Connecticut Ballet \$2,500.00; New Haven Symphony Orchestra \$5,000.00; Sarada Nori \$2,000.00; Artists for World Peace \$2,410.00; TOTAL \$14,910.00; and that any agency receiving an Arts & Culture Office grant award must comply with the new matching fund ordinance.
 - B. Approving the proposed changes to the salary lines of Russell Library’s FY21 operating budget; and that the changes take effect immediately to allow for timely hiring.

Line	Description	Original FY21 budget	Proposed FY21 budget	Difference
1000-07000-51110 FT PERM 070-110				
5	Librarian IV	406,115	389,725	-16,390
6	Librarian III	153,388	169,778	16,390
TOTAL				0

- C. **ORDINANCE:** Approving that Chapter 272 (“Taxation”) Article I (“Tax Abatements, Exemptions, Deferral and Incentive Programs”) of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Middletown* be amended to add Section 272-17 (“Historical Structure Rehabilitation Tax Abatement”), to preserve historical and culturally significant buildings within the City’s boundaries and to help facilitate the rehabilitation of historic and culturally significant structures.
- D. **ORDINANCE:** Approving that Chapter 253 (“Solid Waste”), Section 253-15 (“Bulky waste, construction waste and oversized municipal solid waste tipping fee schedule”) of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Middletown* be amended to create a separate pickup fee for mattresses and box springs.
- E. Approving the allocation of the CARES ACT CDBG Funding to the following Middletown Small Business; The Whey Stationary, LLC - \$5,000.00; Caffery Dance and Gymnastics - \$5,000.00; The Hair Spray -- \$5,000.00; and that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contractual paperwork necessary to facilitate the allocation of these Grants, subject to review and approval by the office of General Counsel as to form and content.
- F. Approving the issuance and sale of up to \$14,000,000 for the costs associated with the City of Middletown General Obligation Refunding Bonds necessary for the Clean Water Fund Permanent Loan Obligations.
- G. Approving that the City of Middletown terminates the June 3, 2019 Property Tax Payment Agreement with Middletown Power, LLC and NRG Middletown Repowering LLC pursuant to Section 2(c) of that agreement; and that the City invites the owner of the Middletown facility to discuss options for a new Property Tax Payment Agreement with the City of Middletown.

13. Mayor’s Appointments

14. Meeting Adjournment

K: review/ agenda/ 2021 April 05 -- regular meeting – 05 April 2021