April 22, 2020

The special meeting of the West Haven City Council was held on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. via electronic means pursuant to City Council Rule #30.

Present were Council Members: Donovan, O’Connor, Gallignano, Johnston, Hamilton, Massaro, McGeé, Fanelli, Cohen, Hoskie, Conlon, Bruneau, and Quagliani. Mayor Nancy R. Rossi was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Clerk administered a Roll Call for attendance.

Chairman Quagliani called the Special Meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

The Clerk read the call of the meeting: In accordance with Rule #11 of the Rules Governing the actions of the City Council, Chairman Ronald M. Quagliani has called a Special Meeting of the West Haven City Council to be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, April 22, 2020. This meeting will be held via electronic methods in accordance with Rule #30. Visit https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5cM1trmHe999FXNJ56X_Jg to watch the meeting live.

The Purpose of this Special Meeting is as follows:
- Discussion & Action on Governor Lamont’s Executive Order 7S Item 6 (a/b) Suspension and Modification of Tax Deadlines and Collection Fees

The City Council discussed tax options and cash flow projections with Attorney Lee Tierman and Finance Director Frank Cieplinski. Mayor Rossi stated that this was a difficult decision, but the City needed cash flow to operate.

Councilman Massaro presented a MOTION to APPROVE the “Low Interest Rate Program” SECONDED by Councilman Donovan and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

RESOLVED: the City of West Haven shall participate in the so-called "Low Interest Rate Program" authorized by Executive Order 7S whereby delinquent and principal portions of taxes, fees, charges and assessments due and payable between April 1, 2020 through and including July 1, 2020 are to be subject to a reduced collection rate of 3 percent or less per annum for 90 days from the actual date the same were due and payable, and that City of West Haven boards, commissions, offices and officers shall initiate, participate, and conclude tax collection activities in accordance with the "Low Interest Rate Program".

Councilman Cohen presented a MOTION to Adjourn SECONDED by Councilman Bruneau and APPROVED unanimously viva-voice.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:26 PM

ATTEST: Stacy Riccio, Clerk of the Council
BY: Michael A. DiMassa, Administrative Assistant

These minutes are subject to City Council approval.