

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Robert F. Parisi Council Chambers
TUESDAY
March 23, 2021
6:30 P.M.

AGENDA

The Town Council meeting of March 23, 2021, will take place REMOTELY only. It shall commence at 6:30 P.M. It is expected that the public will be permitted to comment on the Agenda Items as instructed by the Chairman. Materials from this meeting will also be posted on the Town's website for viewing prior to the meeting. The meeting can be accessed through:

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Moment of Silence

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Consent Agenda
 - 3a. Consider and approve Tax Refunds totaling \$5,280.38 (#762-778)
Acct. #1001001- 41020 - Tax Collector
 - 3b. Consider and approve First Congregational Church use of the Parade Grounds on March 28th and April 4th for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday services – Chairman Cervoni
 - 3c. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$9,300 from Contingency-General, Acct. #10019000-58820 to Health-Regular Wages, Acct. #10040050-51000 – Health Dept.
 - 3d. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$5,000 – Human Resources

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| | \$2,000 | From: Continuing Education/Training Exp. | Acct. #12000-55700 |
| | \$3,000 | From: Professional Svcs.- Consulting Svcs. | Acct. #12000-56774 |
| | \$5,000 | To: Office Expense and Supplies | Acct. #12000-56100 |
- 3e. Acceptance of funds from Roehm America and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,000 to Revenue Donations –Police, Acct. #2502002-47152 and to Expense Donations-Police, Acct. #25020050-58830-10135 – Police Dept.
- 3f. Acceptance of funds from State of CT for Dispatcher 911 Training and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,514 – Police Dept.
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| | \$2,514 | To: Revenue | Acct. #1009052-47040 |
| | \$1,257 | To: Police Overtime | Acct. #10020050-51400 |
| | \$1,257 | To: Continuing Education | Acct. #10020050-55700 |
- 3g. Acceptance of funds from Roehm America and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,000 to Revenue Account-Roehm America, LLC-Fire, Acct. #250-TBD and to Expense Account-Roehm America, LLC-Fire, Acct. #25020150-58830-TBD – Fire Dept.
- 3h. Consider and approve Adoption of Fair Housing Resolution for the Town of Wallingford – Mayor
- 3i. Approve Town Council Minutes of March 9, 2021.
- 3j. Consider and approve Budget Transfer in the amount of \$110,000 from Meter Operating Expenses, Acct. #586 to Meter Capital, Acct. #370 – Electric Div.
4. **Items Removed from the Consent Agenda**
5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**
6. COVID 19 Update by Stephen Civitelli, Health Director
7. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing to consider and act upon Ordinance amending Chapter 151, Parks and Park Facilities, Section 156-9 of the Code of the Town of Wallingford.
8. Consider and approve Bid Waiver for Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) to enter into an interlocal contract with HGABuy to obtain best pricing up to \$250,000 for an ambulance – Fire Dept.
9. Discussion regarding Fire Department staffing changes over the past years – Fire Chief

10. Executive Session pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property – Mayor
11. Executive Session pursuant to CGS Section 1-200(6)(B) and Section 1-225(f) for discussion regarding pending claims and litigation involving Covanta and the Disposal Agreements – Law Dept.

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Wallingford Town Hall, 45 South Main Street



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

JO-ANNE L. RUSCZEK, C.C.M.C

TAX COLLECTOR

CHERYL BRUNDAGE C.C.M.C

ASSISTANT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR

3a.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
45 SOUTH MAIN STREET
P.O. BOX 5003
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2135
FAX (203) 294-2137

March 15, 2021

Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor, Town of Wallingford
Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Refund - Account #1001001-41020 – \$5,280.38 (#762-778)

Dear Mayor Dickinson:

Attached is a list of refunds for your approval and the approval of the Town Council:

RECEIVED
MAYOR'S OFFICE
21 MAR 15 AM 10:16

Very truly yours,

Cheryl Brundage
Assistant to the Tax Collector

APPROVED:

William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor

James M. Bowes, Comptroller

762 Ford Credit (Cab) (RSPDR)	51.81	19-0055343
763 Acar Leasing LTD (RRJ1)	705.58	19-0050546
764 Nicotra, Anne M.	300.00	19-0078209
765 VCFS Auto Leasing Co (AH86472)	218.23	19-0091168
766 VCFS Auto Leasing Co (AH86479)	251.85	19-0091169
767 Oneil, Edith I/u Marjorie Lynn	80.15	19-0010995
768 Nissan Infiniti LT (AD63527)	149.89	18-0078797
769 Barone, James or Love, Miranda	2047.68	19-0001051
770 Dagostino, Nicholas	312.84	19-0003651
771 Martindale, Regina M.	71.28	18-0009364
772 Honda Lease Trust (af34811)	365.75	19-0068211
773 HB Refrigeration LLC	42.99	19-0067431
774 HB Refrigeration LLC	56.84	19-0067419
775 HB Refrigeration LLC	28.26	19-0067413
776 Allied Mechanical Serv.	199.66	19-0051046
777 Luckhardt, Jamie or Brian	11.67	19-0083532
778 Sperandio, Cynthia M. or Horn, David	385.90	19-0087501
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Subject **Re: Fw: Request to use the Parade Gound**
From Deborah McKiernan <townclerk@wallingfordct.gov>
To Vinny Cervoni <vcbluzman@hotmail.com>
Date 2021-03-05 09:18



all set

On 2021-03-04 17:30, Vinny Cervoni wrote:

Deb,
Please, make sure this makes my agenda folder in advance of the March 23 meeting.

Thanks!
vc

Vinny Cervoni, Chairman
Wallingford Town Council

From: Vincent Cervoni
Sent: Thursday, March 4, 2021 5:29 PM
To: Steve Knight <steveknight2248@gmail.com>
Subject: RE: Request to use the Parade Gound

Steve, the next meeting after this is March 23. I'll get it on that agenda

vc

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Knight <steveknight2248@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 4, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Vincent Cervoni
Subject: Request to use the Parade Gound

Hi Vinny,

The first Congregational church of Wallingford would like to request use of the Parade Ground for services on March 28th and April 4th, Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. I would appreciate it if you would add this request to the next town. Council agenda.

Thanks.

Steve

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Deborah McKiernan
Wallingford Town Clerk
townclerk@wallingfordct.gov
203 294 2145



Town of Wallingford, Health Department
45 South Main St.
Wallingford CT 06492



Stephen A. Civitelli, RS, MPH
Director of Health

Phone: 203-294-2065 - Fax: 203-294-2064
Email: health@wallingfordct.gov

RECEIVED
MAYOR'S OFFICE

21 MAR 9 AM 3:55

MEMORANDUM

To: William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor
From: Stephen Civitelli, Director of Health *S.C.*
Date: March 8, 2021
Re: Request for funds

The Health Department is requesting funds to be appropriated to Salaries and Wages account number 1004005-40050-56100, in the amount of \$9,300.

Justification: Increased hours for the Health Department's Public Health Nurse and Health Educator due to logistics and implementation of Covid-19 vaccination clinics for residents, local businesses and critical workforce.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

3d

Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date:

3/10/2021

I. Request for: X transfer of funds
 appropriation of funds

Fund: X General Fund
 Other Title

Amount: \$ 2,000 FROM: Title Contin. Ed. Training Exp. Acct. No. 12000-55700
3,000 Prof. SVCS-consulting SVCS. 12000-56774

Amount: \$ 5,000 TO: Title office Exp. AND Supplies Acct. No. 12000-56100

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by:

[Signature]
Department/Division Head

Certified as to the availability of funds:

[Signature]
Comptroller

APPROVED -- subject to vote of the Town Council:

W Dickinson
Mayor

II. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTION:

The transfer/appropriation of \$ _____ as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session is hereby certified.

I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 19____.

Town Clerk



TOWN OF WALLINGFORD


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MAYOR'S OFFICE

21 MAR 16 AM 10:26

JAMES R. HUTT, JR.
Human Resources Director
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492
Telephone (203) 294-2080
Fax (203) 294-2084

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor William Dickinson
FROM: James R. Hutt, Jr., Human Resources Director
DATE: March 16, 2021
SUBJECT: Transfer Request



I respectfully request permission to approach the Town Council at its March 23, 2021 meeting to transfer \$5,000 from the department Continuing Education/Training and Professional Services – Consulting Services accounts to the department Office Expense and Supply account. This transfer is needed to cover costs associated with anticipated advertising and exam related costs for position vacancies.

I have attached the appropriate form.

I will be at the meeting to answer any questions that may arise.

JRH/

Attachment

Town of Wallingford

Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: March 9, 2021

Request for: _____ Transfer of Funds
 X Appropriation of Funds


Fund: _____ General
 X Other → MISC. DONATIONS / GRANTS FUND

Amount: \$2,000.00 To: Revenue Donations - Police Account No: 2502002-47152

Amount: \$2,000.00 To: Expense Donations - Police Account No: 25020050-58830-10135


Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by:



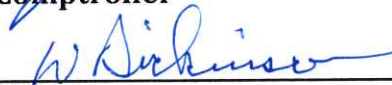
Division/Department Head

Certified as to the availability of funds:



Comptroller

APPROVED: Subject to vote of Town Council



Mayor

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Town Clerk



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut
Department of Police Services


RECEIVED
MAYOR'S OFFICE

21 MAR -9 PM 1:30

WILLIAM J. WRIGHT
CHIEF OF POLICE

135 NORTH MAIN STREET
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492-3718
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2828

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
FROM: CHIEF WILLIAM J. WRIGHT 
SUBJECT: DONATION-ROHM AMERICA
DATE: 3/9/2021
CC: MR. JAMES BOWES, COMPTROLLER

Sir,

Earlier today we received a donation in the amount of \$2000.00 from Rohm America. We are grateful for their generosity and will certainly put the donation to good use.

I write to respectfully request that you place the donation before the town council for acceptance.

The necessary forms to appropriate the funds have been completed and the originals forwarded to the finance department. Copies of these forms are attached for your review.



RECEIVED
MAYOR'S OFFICE
Town of Wallingford, Connecticut
21 MAR 16 AM 11:45
Department of Police Services

WILLIAM J. WRIGHT
CHIEF OF POLICE

135 NORTH MAIN STREET
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492-3718
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2828

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: JAMES BOWES, FINANCE DEPARTMENT

FROM: WILLIAM J. WRIGHT, POLICE DEPARTMENT

DATE: 03/15/21

SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT CHECK

We have received a reimbursement through an electronic transfer in the amount of \$2,514.04 from the State of Connecticut for costs related to Dispatcher 911 Training.

Of this amount, \$1,257.04 is related to overtime costs. I write to request those funds be accepted by the Council and deposited into the revenue account entitled: Misc. Revenue (Account 1009052-47040) and further, that our overtime expenditure account (Account 10020050-51400) be amended to reflect receipt of these funds as it is the account from which they were originally drawn.

The balance of the funds, \$1,257.00, is for reimbursement of the training. I am requesting that those funds be accepted by the Council and deposited into the revenue account entitled: Misc. Revenue (Account 1009052-47040) and further, that our Continuing Education and Training account (Account 10020050-55700) be amended to reflect receipt of these funds as it is the account from which they were originally drawn.

I have attached the requisite form for deposits and appropriations denoting the accounts to be adjusted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you.

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Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor, Town of Wallingford

Date: March 8, 2021

I. Request for: _____ transfer of funds
XX appropriation of funds

Fund: _____ General Fund MISC. GRANTS/DONATIONS FUND
XX Other Title Roehm America, LLC (ROHM) Donation

Amount: \$ 2,000.00 FROM: Title Revenue Account Acct. No. 250-TBD
TO: Roehm America, LLC - Fire

Amount: \$ 2,000.00 TO: Title Expense Account Acct. No. 25020150-58830-TBD
Roehm America, LLC - Fire

Explanation: PER ATTACHED LETTER AS REQUIRED

Submitted by: _____
Department/Division Head Fire Chief

Certified as to the availability of funds:

Comptroller

APPROVED -- subject to vote of the Town Council:
W Dickinson
Mayor

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I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 20__.

Town Clerk



RECEIVED
MAYOR'S OFFICE
Town of Wallingford, Connecticut
21 MAR -9 PM 3:42

RICHARD W. HEIDGERD
FIRE CHIEF

JOSEPH J. CZENTNAR
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

SAMUEL C. WILSON
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
75 MASONIC AVENUE
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492-3019
TELEPHONE (203) 294-2730

March 8, 2021

Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Appropriation of Roehm America, LLC (RÖHM) Donation

Dear Mayor Dickinson:

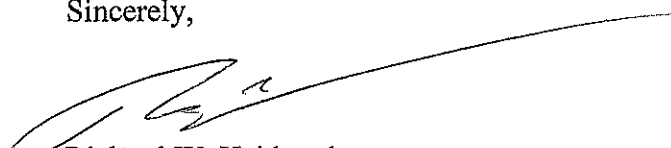
The Wallingford Fire Department has received a donation from Roehm America, LLC (RÖHM), 528 South Cherry Street, Wallingford, CT in the amount of \$2,000.

This requires an appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,000 to the following accounts:

To:	Revenue Account #250-TBD Roehm America, LLC - Fire	\$2,000
And		
To:	Expense Account #25020150-58830-TBD Roehm America, LLC - Fire	\$2,000

If this meets with your approval, please place this item on the March 23, 2021 Town Council Agenda for acceptance by the Town Council.

Sincerely,


Richard W. Heidgerd
Fire Chief

3h.



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
CONNECTICUT

WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
MAYOR

45 SOUTH MAIN STREET
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492
TELEPHONE 203 294-2070
FAX 203 294-2073

March 15, 2021

Wallingford Town Council
Wallingford, CT 06492

Attn: Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

Dear Council Members:

In keeping with the Town of Wallingford's commitment to provide full and equal housing opportunity for our residents, we are requesting that the Town Council adopt the attached Fair Housing Resolution for 2021.

Please consider this request at the Town Council meeting scheduled for March 23, 2021. Thank you.

Sincerely,

William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor

jms
Attachment



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

Town of Wallingford FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

- Whereas, All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and
- Whereas, Federal Fair Housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and
- Whereas, Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and
- Whereas, the Town of Wallingford is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Wallingford hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Mayor of the Town of Wallingford or his designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of Wallingford and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the Town of Wallingford on _____

Deborah McKiernan, Town Clerk

Date

**TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY
MARCH 9, 2021
6:30 P.M.**

RECORD OF VOTES & MINUTES

The Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. There was a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Councilors in attendance were Craig C. Fishbein, Thomas Laffin, Gina Morgenstein, Joseph A. Marrone, III, Christopher K. Shortell, Christina Tatta, Vincent F. Testa, Jason Zandri and Chairman Vincent Cervoni. Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr. and Town Attorney Gerald E. Farrell, Sr. were also present.

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 - 3b. Consider and approve a Transfer in the amount of \$25,500 from Regular Wages, Acct. #10020050-51000 to Capital-Audio/Video Recording System,
Acct. #10020050-55700-TBD – Police Dept.
 - 3c. Acceptance of donation and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$50 to Revenue Donations – Police, Acct. #2502002-47152 and to Expense Donations- Police, Acct. #25020050-58830-10127 – Police Dept.
 - 3d. Acceptance of donation of a Defibtech Lifeline AED, one Alarmed Wall Cabinet and one Rescue Kit Donation from Michael Papale, In a Heartbeat Organization- Fire Dept.
 - 3e. Acceptance of funds for Fire Watch Services and consider and approve Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$2,379 to Miscellaneous Revenue,
Acct. #1009052-47040 and to Replacement Pay, Acct. #10020150-51500 – Fire Dept.
 - 3f. Confirmation of Appointment of Patrick Birney to the Public Utilities Commission for a three year term effective immediately and expiring March 1, 2024 – Mayor
 - 3g. Approve Town Council Minutes of February 23, 2021.

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 3a.-3g.

MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED

4. **Items Removed from the Consent Agenda: None**

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD**

Larry Morgenstein, South Main Street, inquired about Item #11 on the agenda. He asked if there will be public comment.

Mr. Morgenstein asked if we are covered by insurance for this settlement. Chairman Cervoni indicated there is insurance being used in this matter.

Mr. Morgenstein asked if the town does reviews for these matters. The Mayor replied internal administrative reviews are done. Mr. Morgenstein asked when resolution is made will it be public. The Mayor responded it will be a public document once parties sign off on it. Mr. Morgenstein asked when town will make it public. The Mayor said to contact the Town Attorney.

6. **COVID 19 Update by Stephen Civitelli, Health Director**

Mr. Civitelli gave a presentation on COVID 19 (attached). He indicated the numbers have declined in February and there have been 25 confirmed cases in March. The trend for hospitalization is dropping and continuing to decline. He noted the state is changing color in a positive direction. He went on to say between February 25th and March 4th there have been over 400 vaccinations.

Chairman Cervoni asked Mr. Civitelli if he has running totals or if he has to add them up. Mr. Civitelli said you can add them up and then went over future clinic dates.

Chairman Cervoni said workers at Pistapaug reached out to applaud how well the vaccination clinic went.

Councilor Fishbein asked where we are with teachers. Mr. Civitelli explained the State of Connecticut sent out a survey and they filled it out requesting the vaccine but they did not receive the quantity they asked for.

Dr. Menzo stated he reached out to Oakdale and 1,000 individuals received their first dose this past weekend.

Councilor Fishbein asked when the rest will be vaccinated. Mr. Civitelli replied we are going to try for March 18th.

Councilor Fishbein said some towns are getting more vaccines and asked if vaccines are being allocated fairly. Mr. Civitelli said his understanding is there were 1,000 vaccines to be had which were more than BOE needed and noted it's hard to tell if we are being shorted.

Councilor Fishbein asked if you can choose to get Johnson & Johnson. Mr. Civitelli stated we just received the first shipment of Johnson and Johnson and we are probably going to be ordering more. He went on to say we have not gotten to the point where we are picking and choosing.

Councilor Fishbein indicated Pfizer and Moderna are two rounds. He asked what accommodations are being made for people who travel. Mr. Civitelli said that has not been worked out and noted they try to fit them into the clinic. He stated we have not missed a second shot yet.

Councilor Zandri inquired about the changes in state guidelines going from requirement to recommendation. Mr. Civitelli stated he has not seen the wording modified yet for the March 19th rollout.

Councilor Zandri remarked people traveled, came back, didn't quarantine and got fined. He stated people want to adhere to rules, but can't if they are ambiguous. Mr. Civitelli said hopefully we will have a finished product soon.

Bob Gross, Long Hill Road, stated Yale has been posting what vaccine you're getting. He then inquired about masks for workers and visitors of the town hall. Mr. Civitelli said when social distancing is not available, masks must be worn. He went on to explain the CDC indicates two weeks after the second vaccine is administered, masks are not required for indoor activity in small groups.

Councilor Morgenstein asked if it's common practice for employees not to wear masks. Mr. Civitelli said we follow guidelines. He explained masks are required in common areas and if six feet is available, masks are not required.

Mr. Morgenstein asked if he went to a public school, would they be wearing masks. Mr. Civitelli stated Human Resources policy mirrors the executive order where if six feet is not available, masks must be worn. Mr. Morgenstein then asked if all employees have been vaccinated. Mr. Civitelli answered no, and stated it's based on age groupings.

Councilor Zandri asked if we have documentation on our website that mirrors anything or do we default to the state. Mr. Civitelli said we have done updates on rollouts, posting presentations and test data.

Councilor Zandri feels information has been fantastic. He stated that the CDC website can be a challenge and he would rather direct people to our website.

Mr. Gross stated there is potential for less masked people around the town hall and he feels this is the opportunity to make town hall user/online friendly. Mr. Gross stated federal funding will soon be available to help with this. Chairman Cervoni questions that the Federal Government will be sending us money to spend.

7. Consider and approve Lease Agreement between the Town of Wallingford and the CT STEM ACADEMY for use of the rear portion of the SCOW building located at 284 Washington Street for a five year term at a rental rate of One Dollar per year – Mayor

In Attendance: Chris Stone, STEM Academy

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE Lease Agreement between the Town of Wallingford and the CT STEM ACADEMY for use of the rear portion of the SCOW building located at 284 Washington Street for a five year term at a rental rate of One Dollar per year.

**MADE BY: SHORTELL
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN**

Mr. Stone stated he is happy to answer any questions and noted the Town Council is familiar with the program.

Councilor Laffin asked Mr. Stone if they continue to meet with SCOW and share space. Mr. Stone said they meet almost on a daily basis and have been collaborating with Youth and Social Services for almost 20 years. The program came to be through a teacher grant.

Councilor Tatta asked if there is a current lease and if it is the same terms and same amount. The Mayor replied there isn't a current lease and said the new area is close to being renovated and will be available soon for STEM Academy. He stated the premises can only be used by STEM and noted this is a wonderful opportunity for education.

Councilor Tatta asked Mr. Stone if he is currently in the SCOW building. Mr. Stone replied yes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	SHORTELL: YES
FISHBEIN: YES	TATTA: YES
LAFFIN: YES	TESTA: YES
MARRONE: YES	ZANDRI: YES
MORGANSTEIN: YES	CERVONI: ABSTAIN
8 – AYE	
1-ABSTAIN	
MOTION: PASSED	

8. Discussion and Possible action regarding including EV charging stations in public parking lots – Councilor Morgenstein and Councilor Tatta

Councilor Morgenstein explained they are here to discuss and to move forward to place chargers into parking lots. She and Councilor Tatta gave a presentation and stated the first slide talks about why we should do this. She feels this will help rebuild for the good and create higher property values. The second slide talks about costs. She indicated the company will give free chargers in exchange for advertisement. The third slide talks about Mechanics and why. She feels this promotes energy conservation. She stated this is not a fad and feels it's time to invest in this.

Chairman Cervoni feels it makes sense to address this while improving parking lots.

Councilor Shortell expressed to Councilor Morgenstein and Councilor Tatta they did a great job.

Councilor Morgenstein said Attorney Small would draft a specific contract.

Councilor Tatta said chargers with advertising is one option, but there are other options.

Chairman Cervoni stated we need to comply with zoning regulations.

Councilor Zandri asked about the concern with advertising. Chairman Cervoni said the concern is about content and remarked you don't get to pick and choose advertisements.

Councilor Zandri feels this would be a magnet for businesses and having chargers available is a win/win all the way around.

Councilor Marrone is supportive of the idea and feels this could be a way of the future. He would like to see chargers on private property. He feels this was a great presentation.

Councilor Morgenstein said most of the information came from Adelaid Koepefer.

Councilor Marrone asked if you can pay to park in the train station and charge all day.

Councilor Shortell remarked about signage on the charger.

Councilor Laffin asked Councilor Zandri if he was able to park and not have to pay to charge. Councilor Zandri stated he has an app to find stations and remarked he is paying less for electric than fuel. Councilor Laffin asked Councilor Zandri if he has a charger at his house. Councilor Zandri answered yes.

Councilor Morgenstein asked what is the cost to us if we provide it free.

Councilor Tatta feels a payment option would create bureaucracy. She does not want to miss this opportunity to do this for free.

Councilor Laffin inquired about the bid process and asked how we go forward. The Mayor suggested putting out the RFP and seeing what companies respond. The Mayor then remarked someone has to pay for the cost of electricity.

Councilor Testa thanked Councilor Morgenstein and Councilor Tatta and stated there seems to be a lot of questions that pop up and conflicting view-points. He then asked why would we do this at all and wonders if this is a legitimate service for the town to provide? He stated it would be foolish not to take this opportunity to do this when we're going to start paying. He went on to say we get bogged down on operational issues and he feels we should move on.

Chairman Cervoni suggested we figure out a way to do this that would cost us nothing and find a way to do this at no cost to the taxpayer. He feels a RFP would be a good way.

Chairman Cervoni asked Mr. Buccheri, General Manager of Electric Division, about the charging station at the railroad station and how they acquire electricity. Mr. Buccheri said they are metered like any other customer.

Councilor Morgenstein stated she appreciates that everyone seems to be in favor. She asked Mr. Buccheri the name of the program. Mr. Buccheri said the name of the program is Home Energy Savings (HES). She then asked how much money is in that program. Mr. Buccheri said they collect money for that program annually and they get the money from the state. He indicated he has not seen money for electric vehicle charging but he will look into it.

Councilor Morgenstein asked Chairman Cervoni what action we should take. Chairman Cervoni said we can get more information on a grant. It may be a vendor that can do this for us.

Public Comment

Mr. O'Connell feels this would be attractive for young members of our community. He stated 15% of ads would be reserved for the town and 85% to Volta.

Adelaid Koepefer, 35 Whiffletree Road, spoke about the Volkswagen grant. She said if we are interested in applying for that grant, we should prepare now and indicated applications are to open in April and May.

Chairman Cervoni stated that BOE is going to replace a school bus.

Councilor Tatta thanked Ms. Koepefer for her extensive research. She then thanked the Mayor for the idea of the RFP. She stated we will choose what's best for Wallingford.

Chairman Cervoni said the Council would participate somewhat in the RFP process.

The Mayor suggested talking to Purchasing as to what would be the best course.

Councilor Morgenstein feels the grant somewhat complicates this. She's not sure how the money from the grant would get to the other other party.

The Mayor stated if the town applies for the grant the town would be committed to installing the charger. He explained we would contact businesses with the expertise in installation and operation to do the work.

Councilor Fishbein agrees with the Mayor the RFP will tell us how to get to the goal.

Councilor Shortell compared this to the community pool project and indicated those projects get stalled.

9. Executive Session pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property
10. Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-225(f) and §1-200(6)(B) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to the pending matter of *Server v. Town of Wallingford* – Law Dept.

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:02 P.M.

**MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: MORGENSTEIN
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 1-225(6)(B) regarding strategy and negotiations with respect to the pending matter of *Server v. Town of Wallingford and (10)* and MOTION WAS MADE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 1-200(6)(D) of the Connecticut General Statutes with respect to the purchase, sale and/or leasing of property (9)

Time of Executive Session 9:02 p.m. to 10:20 p.m.

Attendance at Executive Session #10:

FISHBEIN	MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
LAFFIN	TOWN ATTORNEY GERALD E. FARRELL, SR.
MARRONE	ATTORNEY DAVID MONASTERSKY
MORGENSTEIN	JAMES HUTT, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR
SHORTELL	
TATTA	
TESTA	
ZANDRI	
CERVONI	

Attendance at Executive Session #9:

FISHBEIN	MAYOR WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
LAFFIN	TOWN ATTORNEY GERALD E. FARRELL, SR.
MARRONE	ATTORNEY DAVID MONASTERSKY
MORGENSTEIN	WILLIAM WRIGHT, POLICE CHIEF
SHORTELL	JOHN VENTURA, POLICE DEPUTY CHIEF
TATTA	TIM RYAN, EDC
TESTA	
ZANDRI	
CERVONI	

MOTION WAS MADE TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:20 P.M.

**MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: FISHBEIN
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

11. Motion to consider and authorize a settlement of the pending matter of *Server v. Town of Wallingford* – Law Dept.

MOTION WAS MADE TO AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT FOR SERVER V. TOWN OF WALLINGFORD AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTEIVE SESSION.

**MADE BY: LAFFIN
SECONDED BY: SHORTELL
VOTE: ALL AYE
MOTION: PASSED**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moss
Council Staff
Meeting digitally recorded

Vincent Cervoni, Chairman

Date

Deborah McKiernan, Town Clerk

Date

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COVID-19 UPDATE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Date of Report: March 9, 2021

Stephen A. Civitelli, RS, MPH

Director of Health



MONTHLY CONFIRMED CASE TOTALS

- Total Cases 3,653
- September – 80 Confirmed Cases
- October – 233 Confirmed Cases
- November – 513 Confirmed Cases
- December – 467 Confirmed Cases
- January – 333 Confirmed Cases
- February – 141
- March - 25

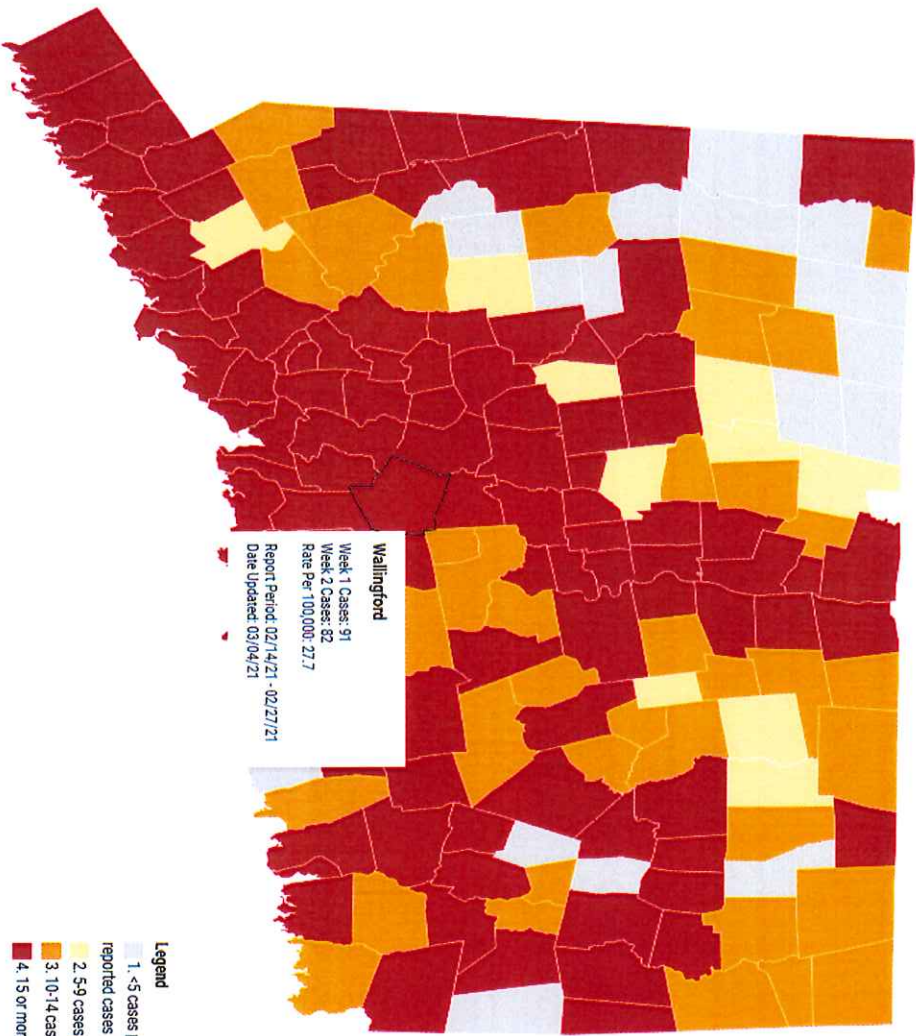


HOSPITALIZATIONS/FATALITIES

- Hospitalizations Statewide – 428 as of (3/8)
- 20% Decline in Hospitalizations from 2/23/21 report
- 165 total fatalities as of (3/8/21)
- Total # of tests conducted – 110,078

Town Map

Average Daily Rate of COVID-19 Cases Among Persons Living in Community Settings per 100,000 Population By Town



- Legend**
- 1. <5 cases per 100,000 or <5 reported cases
 - 2. 5-9 cases per 100,000
 - 3. 10-14 cases per 100,000
 - 4. 15 or more cases per 100,000

This map shows the average daily rate of new cases of COVID-19 by town during the past two weeks. Only cases among persons living in community settings are included in this map; the map does not include cases among people who reside in nursing home, assisted living, or correctional facilities.

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CONTACT TRACING

- Contact Tracing conducted monitoring 32 individuals for a 10-day window as of March 8, 2021.
- Utilizing Contact CT Microsoft System.

CLINICS COMPLETED

- January 16 – 1st dose 75+ (226 vaccinations)
- January 28 – 1st dose 75+ (220 vaccinations)
- January 29 - 2nd dose clinic medical 1st responders (20 vaccinations)
- February 1 – 2nd dose clinic medical first responders (60 vaccinations)
- February 4 - 1st dose clinic for 75+ (210 vaccinations)
- February 11 – 1st dose 75+ (276)
- February 13 - 2nd dose clinics for medical first responders and 75+ (70)
- February 18 - 2nd dose clinic 75+ (251)
- February 20 – 1st dose clinic 65+ (204)
- February 25 – 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic (437)
- March 4 – 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic (420)

CLINICS SCHEDULED

- March 11 – 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic
- March 12 – 1st dose J and J clinic
- March 18 - 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic
- March 20 – 2nd dose clinic
- March 25 – 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic
- April 1 - 1st dose and 2nd dose clinic

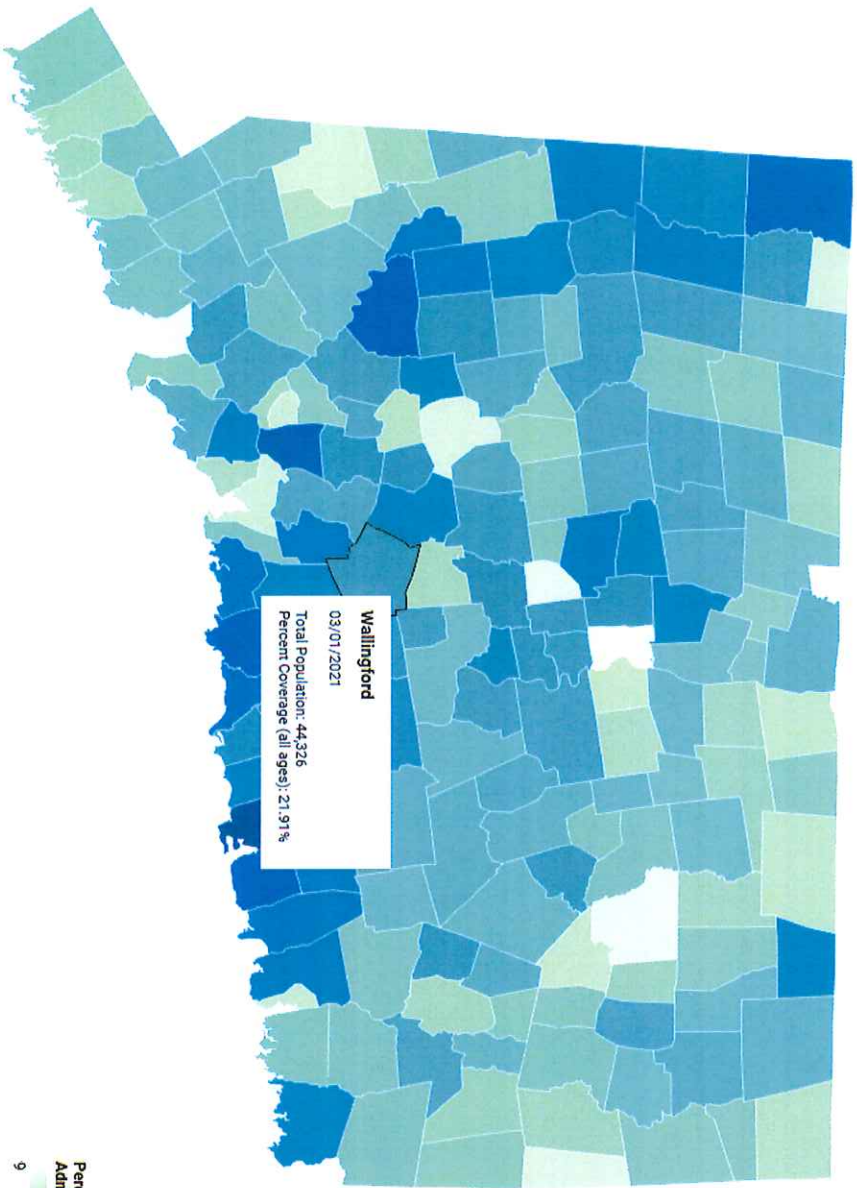
Masonicare/Gaylord Hospital/Choate/Allnex/Wallingford Fire
Department/BOE Nurses partnering in vaccination of residents and critical
workforce

as additional records are received and as duplicate records or other errors are corrected.

Total town-level population is based on the July 1, 2019 annual estimates, available [here](#).

Percent of Population Who Initiated COVID-19 Vaccination

As reported to the CT Immunization Registry (CT WIZ)



Percent First Dose Administered
9 33

Data are preliminary and are subject to change.
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NEXT PHASE OF CT REOPENING

- Starting March 19, capacity limits will be lifted at all restaurants, retail stores, personal services facilities, houses of worship, museums, aquariums, zoos, office buildings and other similar businesses.
- Commercial gatherings, wedding halls will be limited to 100 people indoors and 200 outside. Private residential gatherings will be limited to 25 people inside and 100 outside.
- Indoor theaters will remain at 50 percent capacity and bars that do not serve food will remain closed.

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

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Honorable William W. Dickinson, Jr. Mayor
Wallingford, CT 06492

Date: March 10, 2021

1. Request for X transfer of funds
 appropriation of funds

Funds: Electric X operating X capital project
Water operating capital project
Sewer operating capital project

\$ 110,000 From: Meter Operating Expenses Acct. No. 586

\$ 110,000 To: Meter Capital Acct. No. 370

Explanation:

Certified as to Availability of Funds:

[Signature]
Office Manager

Date: 3/10/21

Submitted by: [Signature]
Division Head

Date: 3/10/21

[Signature]
Department Head

Date: 3/10/21

Approved by vote of the Public Utilities Commission subject to the approval of the Mayor and Town Council

[Signature]
Chairman, Public Utilities Commission

Date: 3-17-2021

Certified as to Availability of Funds:

[Signature]
Comptroller

Date: 3/17/2021

Approved - subject to the approval of the Town Council

W Dickinson
Mayor

Date: 3/17/2021

II Certification of the Financial Transaction:

The transfer or appropriation of \$ _____ as detailed and authorized above and as approved by a vote of the Town Council in session is hereby certified.

I hereby certify that this is the motion approved by the Town Council at its meeting of _____, 20__.

Town Clerk



Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

TONY BUCCHERI
GENERAL MANAGER

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
100 JOHN STREET
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT 06492

TELEPHONE 203-294-2265
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MEMORANDUM

To: Rick Hendershot, Director of Public Utilities

From: Tony Buccheri, General Manager

Date: March 10, 2021

Re: **Fiscal 2020-2021 Budget Transfer
Account 370**

Attached for your review is a Budget Transfer to increase Account #370 – Meter Capital Equipment in the amount of \$110,000. This account covers capital expenditures incurred by the Electric Division for new meter installations (materials and labor). The Electric Division is forecasting to spend more in this account than originally budgeted for meter installations. The funds are available in Account #586 – Meter Operating Expenses. This account is used for the operating and maintenance functions of the metering system including testing, removal, disconnecting and reconnecting meters. Dollars are available in Account #586 due to the reduced amount of disconnects for non-payment during the pandemic and the funds available due to personnel vacancies. This adjustment will bring both accounts to approximately 63% encumbered/expended which is in line with where we should be as of the end of February, 67% through the FY.

Please review the attached budget amendment and forward as appropriate for action by the Public Utilities Commission and Town Council.

Tony Buccheri, General Manager-Electric

TB/mhl

Enclosure

cc: Brian Naples, Assistant Office Manager

ITEM NO. 11-1
PUC AGENDA 3/16/21



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Christopher K. Shortell, Chairman, Ordinance Committee

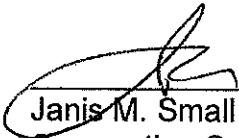
CC: Vincent Cervoni, Chairman, Town Council
William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor
Deborah McKiernan, Town Clerk

FROM: Janis M. Small, Corporation Counsel

RE: Parks and Park Facilities Ordinance

DATE: March 4, 2021

Enclosed is the ordinance amending § 156-9. Adoption of regulations of Chapter 151, Parks and Park Facilities of the Code for the Town Council's consideration.



Janis M. Small
Corporation Counsel

JMS/bjc

Enclosure

**AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 151, PARKS AND PARKS FACILITIES,
§ 156-9 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WALLINGFORD**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL IN SESSION:

That Chapter 156, Parks and Park Facilities, § 156-9, Adoption of regulations, is amended by replacing the existing section with the following:

§ 156.9. Adoption of regulations.

The Commission may adopt regulations setting forth the facility permit fee structure for use of the various park facilities, the liability insurance requirements of persons using park facilities, the form of the application for use of a park facility and any other matter deemed necessary for the efficient administration of the permitting process and for the protection of park facilities and other areas administered by the Commission.

Facility permit fee structures, including waiver provisions, require the approval of the Town Council. Fee structure changes will take effect thirty (30) days after action by the Council unless the Council determines otherwise.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Ordinance was enacted by the Town Council of the Town of Wallingford this _____ day of March, 2021, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the Town of Wallingford.

Deborah McKiernan
Town Clerk

APPROVED: _____
William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor

DATE: _____

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Town of Wallingford, Connecticut

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March 11, 2021

Mayor William Dickinson
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
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RE: Bid Waiver Request – Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC)

Dear Mayor:

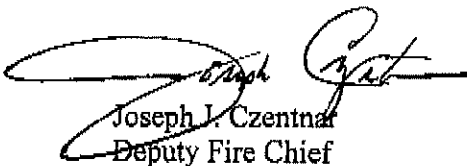
As a brief description, the HGACBuy is a nationwide, government procurement service where local government units are eligible to become participating members of the Cooperative. All contracts available to participating members of HGACBuy have been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with Texas state statutes.

It has been brought to our attention that the best prices available for fire and emergency apparatus nationwide are obtained through this service. We used this purchasing consortium successfully in 2019, entering into an Interlocal Contract with HGACBuy to obtain best pricing and subsequently purchase a Quint style fire apparatus for the Town of Wallingford Department of Fire Emergency Services.

Thereby, we are requesting a bid waiver in order to enter into an Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing via the HGAC to obtain the best pricing for the **purchase of a new Frazer Ambulance built on a 2022 F-450 Diesel 4-wheel drive cab and chassis for up to \$250,000**, for the Town of Wallingford Department of Fire & Emergency Services, EMS Transport Division.

If this request meets with your approval, please place it on the next Town Council agenda for consideration and approval.

Sincerely,


Joseph J. Czentnar
Deputy Fire Chief
Administration & Operations



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March 12, 2021

Mayor William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Town Council Agenda

Dear Mayor:

During my discussion with council members at their February 23, 2021 meeting, I realized there is some misunderstanding about how the Fire Department's staffing has changed from the past years. We would like to provide information about what led to these changes as well as a progress report on the positive impacts of the changes. As this is a complex discussion, I wanted to offer this information prior to the budget meetings.

If this request meets with your approval, please place it on the March 23, 2021 Town Council Agenda for consideration and approval.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Heidgerd
Fire Chief/EMD



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March 15, 2021

William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor
Town of Wallingford
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Dear Mayor Dickinson:

Please place the following item on the Town Council's agenda for its meeting on March 23, 2021:

Executive Session pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1-200(6)(B) and §1-225(f) for discussion regarding pending Claims and litigation involving Covanta and the Disposal Agreements.

Very truly yours,

Janis M. Small
Corporation Counsel

JMS/bjc