

MINUTES OF WEST HARTFORD PUBLIC HEARING  
MAY 27, 2008 LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER PUBLIC HEARING ON  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION

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Public Hearing started at 7:21 p.m.

President Slifka: We're going to call the 7:20 Public Hearing to order. Mr. Coursey, could you read the subject matter please?

Vice President Coursey: I sure will. Resolution authorizing submission of the neighborhood assistance grant application.

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President Slifka: Thank you, Mr. Coursey. Ms. Labrot, roll call, please

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Present were Councilors Steven Adler, Tim Brennan, Shari Cantor, Chuck Coursey, Leon Davidoff, Scott Slifka, Carolyn Thornberry, Joe Verrengia, and Joe Visconti.

President Slifka: Thank you, Ms. Labrot. Mr. Francis, do you have a presentation?

Mr. Francis: A very brief one. The Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program is a program that has been around for I want to say almost 20 years. It provides tax credits to businesses that do a cash contribution to tax exempt agencies, both community agencies or the town itself. We've had 12 submittals of projects this year, which you have in front of you, and it is required to have a Public Hearing and for the Council to adopt those projects as being eligible for receiving assistance. The IRS also has to deem them eligible so they get it after we do, but we have 12 projects so far this year, and in the past, you have left it open until July 1 if anyone else wants to come in once we've had this hearing that would meet the qualifications, and I would suggest you might want to do that this year also.

President Slifka: So you are suggesting we keep the Public Hearing and not vote on the item tonight.

Mr. Francis: No, I would vote on the item, but as part of the resolution, you've added a comment that says the Town Manager can accept any other qualified applicants that come in prior to July 1.

President Slifka: Thank you. Any questions for Mr. Francis? Mr. Alair, could you check the sign-up sheet please. Apparently, it is blank. Is there anybody who did not sign up who wishes to speak on the subject matter of this Public Hearing. Okay. Seeing none. One last chance for the Council. With that, we will close the Public Hearing.

Public Hearing ended at 7:24 p.m.

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