

A **SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING** of the City Council and Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) of the City of Torrington was held via Zoom on Monday, November 7, 2022. In attendance were Mayor Elinor Carbone, City Councilors Drake Waldron, Armand Maniccia, David Oliver, and Anne Ruwet. Economic Development Director Rista Malanca also joined the meeting. Councilors Paul Cavagnero and Keri Hoehne were absent.

Mayor Carbone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ARPA Façade and Building Improvements Grant – Round 2**

On a motion by Councilor Ruwet, seconded by Councilor Maniccia, the Council, on the recommendation of the ARPA Committee, voted unanimously to approve the following Grant Application requests:

- a. Nutmeg Conservatory for the Arts, 58 Main Street, exterior painting, \$5,488
- b. Glen Royals, 187 S. Main St, Repair Brick and Façade, \$25,000
- c. Sherrie Pergola, LLC, 247 N. Elm Street, Storefront renovations, lighting, roof, and wall repair to include new decorative post and architectural detail on top of the parapet, \$25,000

**ARPA - Community Impact Grant Recommendations**

On a motion by Councilor Ruwet, seconded by Councilor Oliver, the Council, on the recommendation of the ARPA Committee, voted unanimously to approve the following grant requests:

- a. CAFTA, Video Production equipment to expand on-site Community Programming, \$45,000
- b. Creative Kids Daycare, Capital improvements to the childcare facility, \$19,650
- c. Energy Partners, LLC (Energy Fitness), Medical Fitness Equipment, \$17,100
- d. Five Points Center for the Visual Arts, Renovations of Courtyard, \$30,000
- e. Friendly Hands Food Bank, Walk-in Freezer, \$35,700
- f. KidsPlay Children's Museum, Security System upgrades, \$74,270
- g. McCall Center for Behavioral Health, Parenting Support Services, \$20,000
- h. Northwest CT Arts Council, Microgrants for arts & culture initiatives, \$15,000
- i. Prime Time House, Prime Thinking start-up, \$32,000
- j. Susan B. Anthony, Rebuilding Lives Program, \$25,000
- k. Torrington Volunteer Fire Department, SCBA Gear, \$65,000
- l. Torrington American Legion Post 36, Youth Baseball Program, \$20,000
- m. Torrington Child Care Center, Shared Social worker, \$48,000
- n. Torrington Development Corporation, Executive Director, \$171,000
- o. Torrington Youth Service Bureau, Expanded Teen Center Hours & Lunch Bunch, \$45,500

**ARPA - Community Impact Grant Recommendations**

On a motion by Councilor Ruwet, seconded by Councilor Maniccia, the Council, on the recommendation of the ARPA Committee, voted unanimously to table the following grant requests:

- a. Catholic Charities, Mental health & addiction treatment programs
- b. Charlotte Hungerford Hospital, Part-time child & adolescent mental health coordinator
- c. Greenwoods Counseling & Referrals expanded clinical services
- d. Northwest CT YMCA, Middle School Be Active Program
- e. Women's Business Development Council, technical assistance to local businesses

**ARPA - Community Impact Grant Recommendations**

On a motion by Councilor Ruwet, seconded by Councilor Waldron, the Council, on the recommendation of the ARPA Committee, voted unanimously to not fund the following grant requests:

- a. Challenging Minds, Emotion-Focused Therapy in Torrington Public Schools
- b. Community Kitchen of Torrington, ductless heating system
- c. Community Kitchen of Torrington, dedicated behavioral health counselor
- d. Mental Health CT, After-school GROW Program
- e. New Opportunities, Project ICAN-WD to assist Torrington residents
- f. Tequanna's Soul Food & Sweets, meals & community engagement for homeless & individuals living with disabilities.
- g. The B.E.R.E.A.D.Y project, Mom2Mom Groups
- h. Torrington Downtown Partners, lighting on all buildings affiliated with the partnership

**Adjournment**

On a motion by Councilor Waldron, seconded by Councilor Ruwet, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by  
Heather Abraham, Asst. City Clerk

ATTEST:  
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